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Vale Show defies the downturn!

NEXT week's Vale Show is beating the economic downturn and has attracted more trade exhibitors than ever before!

A delighted show secretary, Nicola Gibson, confirmed this to The GEM, and said that visitors could look forward to a packed day.

All the traditional activities will take place in the show ground at Fonmon Castle, including a daredevil display by the Army's White Helmets motorcycle display team.

For more details of the day, see The GEM's special Vale Show feature, on pages 19–25.

Another triumph for Bridgend Youth Theatre

Photograph: Malcolm Nugent.

Bridgend Youth Theatre, basking in the glow of a deserved standing ovation. (See pages 6 and 7 for a review and more photographs).

Pathway is opened!

A £216,000 new shared footpath and cycleway was officially opened across Locks Common in Porthcawl yesterday (August 3) at 2pm.

A spokeswoman for Bridgend County borough Council (BCBC) said: "Designed to provide a safe, convenient link between the promenade and Rest Bay, the 1.3km path forms an important link in the Wales Coast Path – an ambitious project that aims to create a continuous 1,370km route around the entire coastline of Wales. It has been installed in time for this year's tourist season.

"The new path is suitable for visitors of all ages and abilities, and has been designed so it can be used by cyclists, parents with prams and buggies, wheelchair users and people with limited mobility."

The project is the result of a partnership between the Welsh European Funding Office, the European Regional Development Fund, the Welsh Government, BCBC, Countryside Council for Wales, Porthcawl Town Council and contractors Raymond Brown Construction Ltd.

The opening of the new shared footpath and cycleway follows the recent announcement of plans to extend an existing 300-metre boardwalk in Rest Bay by a further 800 metres.

Deputy council Leader David Sage said: "The new shared footpath and cycleway is proving to be very popular with visitors and residents alike, and is another step forward in the regeneration of the town.

"Previously, people could only walk between Rest Bay and the promenade area by making their way across the open ground of Lock's Common.

"This was obviously not suitable for everyone, so by working in partnership, BCBC and Porthcawl Town Council have been able to provide a safe alternative route.

"I am sure that the shared cycleway and footpath will offer great benefits to the town, while also enhancing the overall experience for visitors."

BRACKLA DEATH

A YOUNG man has been found dead in Brackla, Bridgend.

A South Wales Police spokeswoman said: "We can confirm the sudden death of a 19-year-old man in Brackla, Bridgend, on July 29.

"There are no suspicious circumstances. Next of kin have been informed and a file is being prepared for HM Coroner."

17-MONTH SENTENCE FOR PROMISING RUGBY PLAYER

Three jailed after drunken attack in Porthcawl street

REPORT by AJ SICLUNA

THREE men who were involved in a violent incident in Porthcawl, have each been put behind bars for 17 months.

One of the victims of the attack, Thomas Padden, died in a tragic accident six months later with two members of his family in a crash on the M4, Cardiff Crown Court heard.

Kyle Evans (20) of Beach Road, Pyle, Gareth Russell (27) of Pyle Inn Way, Pyle, and Matthew Chick (34) of Caer Cynffig, North Cornelly, admitted charges of violent disorder and assault.

Evans received 17 months in a young offender institution and the other two were imprisoned for 17 months.

Judge Christopher Llewellyn-Jones said the case involved "persistent and relentless use of violence in a street by drunks."

Evans began the violence, he said, and the other two joined in.

A man on the ground was repeatedly kicked.

The judge said: "These courts listen day in and day out to this type of incident" and he added that he could not understand how people could be reduced to such behaviour.

"The courts will do what they can to try and stop it. There is no reason for members of the public to have to put up with this sort of behaviour."

The courts, he added, had to send out a clear message.

"If people behave like this, they will go into custody. Decent people should not be subject to violence in the street."

Prosecutor Richard Ace said that Mr Padden, who had recently become a father, was in John Street, Porthcawl, on July 25 last year, wetting his baby's head.

In a club, Evans threw a bottle towards him. It missed, hit a wall, and struck a woman on the back of the head.

Evans then confronted Mr Padden about the ownership of a T-shirt.

Mr Padden left the club and Evans again confronted him and they grappled. Mr Padden went to ground where he was kicked and stamped upon by a number of individuals, including the defendants, and ended up unconscious and motionless.

It was all captured on CCTV.

A witness said the defendants had kicked him seven or eight times.

A woman went to help and was also kicked. Doormen intervened and one of them suffered a cut lip.

Chick tried to return to the club, but when he was prevented from entering, he head-butted a doorman.

Chick was said to have convictions for burglary, causing actual bodily harm and criminal damage.

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Police appeal after BMW arson attack

DETECTIVES in Bridgend are appealing to the public for information, following an arson attack on a BMW car and a private garage, in the Acland Road area, at about 11pm on July 23.

Officers believe the blaze started inside the blue 3-series BMW car, which was in a locked private garage. The flames from the car later spread to the garage roof.

Detective Constable Richard Jones, of Bridgend CID, said: "This was a deliberate act which has seriously damaged a BMW car and a private garage.'

"I am aware that the incident happened late on a Saturday night; however, it might be that neighbours could have been returning home from an evening out, or even work, and may have seen a strange vehicle or people in the locality.

"I would urge anyone who was in the area at the time and saw anything suspicious, or has any relevant information, to come forward".

Contact police on 101, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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A great day out for all the family!

Janice Gregory Am with Mr George, head boy Ross Bowenand head girl Rhiannon Mills.

A hive of activity at breaktime.

PENCOED COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL UNDERLINES COMMUNITY LINKS

Sixth form spirit raises record charity amount

PENCOED Comprehensive School reinforced its reputation as a community-based school by recently opening its doors to the public for the third annual Breast Cancer Care strawberry tea party organised and run by the Sixth Form.

The Strawberry tea party provides a focus for the Sixth Form's fundraising activities for the summer term. This year, a record £2,275 was raised for the worthwhile charity.

Due to work experience and Duke of Edinburgh expedition commitments this year, the students had limited time to arrange the momentous occasion. However, the team spirit was prominent as the newly-appointed senior prefect team allocated duties for every single member of the 94 strong year group.

These duties ranged from strawberry cutting, blowing up balloons, making jelly, selling raffle tickets, collecting raffle prizes, acting as car park attendants for the day itself and of course, selling cakes!

During the week, the team had visited Glanffrwd Nursing Home and many of the feeder primary schools to raise the community spirit.

Mrs Janice Gregory AM also took time from her exceptionally busy schedule to support the event and the school are very grateful to her for this. We are also grateful to Black Horse finance, who donated a very generous £500 to the cause, to the local businesses for their kind raffle prize donations, the staff and residents of Glanffrwd Nursing Home, Pencoed Senior Citizens lunch club and the staff and headteachers of Croesty, Dolau, Llanharan and Coity primary schools, for their support.

Finally, a huge thank you to the canteen staff at the school and, in particular, Mrs Enid Connick, for coordinating the students – and Mrs Pristavec, food technology, for the use of her resources.

Mr David George, headteacher proudly stated: "This event epitomises what this school is all about, the teamwork and team spirit shown has been absolutely fantastic, every member of Form Six has carried their duties out superbly, to raise a record amount for such a good cause."

DAVID OWEN

WELCOME TO THE MOGGIES' MADHOUSE!

Voluntary handyman, Roger, making friends with Lolly.

MOGGIES Madhouse is a voluntary-run family organisation (in conjunction with MAWS and PAWS), which offers shelter, food, and loving care to all stray and unwanted cats and kittens in the Bridgend area.

"We rely greatly on donations, whether it is financial or material, but most of all, we rely on the public providing homes for all our boys and girls," a spokesperson said.

"Everyone re-homed from Moggies is neutered, micro-chipped, wormed and flead, and we offer all the aftercare and advice you need.

"To view Stripe, Itty, Bitty, Kitty, Thomas, Tinker, Yoshi or Tabby, call the Madhouse on 07925304030 or 07512384386. You can also follow us on Moggies Madhouse on facebook.

If you wish to offer a cat a home, make a donation, or to report a stray or cat/ kitten in need of rehoming, lines are open from 9am-5pm daily.

Local school pilots new children's leadership scheme

A NEW scheme to encourage youngsters to become young leaders, has been launched by a Bridgend-based primary school and a child development company.

LEFT: James Taylor.

Tremains Primary School is piloting a Young Leaders award scheme, which has been created by SuperStars to help educate children about teamwork and to develop their leadership skills.

Spokeswoman Amy Harrison reports: "As part of the scheme, children will be taught how to plan, deliver and evaluate their own sessions while developing vital life skills such as teamwork and communications skills.

"Pupils will be encouraged to develop their skills in the classroom and during break time, taking on responsibility for younger children and engaging them in playground activities.

Jane Williams, headteacher of Tremains Primary School, said: "We are delighted to have piloted this initiative. As the pupils continue to grow, we felt it was fundamental to help develop their leadership skills and teach them how to become more responsible for themselves and others and more importantly to educate them how to do it correctly and effectively.

"The scheme has been a huge success within the school, with the support of teachers and parents alike, we have witnessed a number of pupils really grasping the concept and taking responsibility for others as well as themselves."

SuperStars has been employed by Tremains Primary School since October 2006 to provide high quality teaching for children, filling teaching time left by teachers who are away from the classroom planning, preparing and assessing lessons.

Founder and managing director of SuperStars, James Taylor said: "At SuperStars we are passionate about developing a child's future. As part of our offering we have launched this new initiative, having been approached by a number of schools looking for innovative ways to teach children leadership skills and interactive ways to develop and nurture these skills.

"This programme aims to help children build their skills through fun and active learning and we are delighted to be working closely with Tremains Primary School which is committed to achieve our vision of developing bright and healthy futures for future generations.

"We are looking forwarded to rolling this initiative out to more schools across south Wales in September."

Welshman who was advisor to two Prime Ministers

THE ladies of Porthcawl Townswomen's Guild are probably unaware of the fascinating social life of Joyce Grenfell during the 1930s '*Guild Remembers Joyce Grenfell', The GEM, July 21*.

In letters to her Ma (1932-1944) Joyce frequently refers to her friendship with Dr Thomas Jones of Rhymney, who was 40 years her senior.

TJ had a remarkable career. Deputy secretary to the cabinet during the 1914-1918 War; friend and advisor to David Lloyd George; advisor to the Tory Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin, who was renowned for his wonderful speeches – but it was TJ who wrote them.

In 1936, TJ accompanied Lloyd George to Germany to meet Hitler.

This extraordinary relationship in London upper class society was never documented in TJ's biography, but Joyce states they met openly in restaurants, and when she stayed at TJ's home on the north Kent coast.

She obviously adored him, and regarded him as the finest human being she had ever known. In 1938, TJ underwent surgery in London, and Joyce recalls how he sent her a touching letter saying this might be farewell.

Actually, TJ lived on until 1955. Joyce was well connected. Her aunt, Lady Nancy Astor, was the first woman member of the Commons, elected in 1919 for Plymouth.

She and her husband resided at Cliveden in Bucks where society's great and good gathered to discuss political issues.

On many occasions, TJ accompanied Joyce to Cliveden, which began to promote pro-German ideas, in the belief that Hitler had much to offer.

However, these ideas quickly lost momentum after 1939; many of the younger political theorists went on to serve in the forces, and Cliveden became a Red Cross hospital for Canadian forces.

In 1942, Lord Astor gave Cliveden to The National Trust to avoid death duties.

Thomas Jones never forgot his Welsh upbringing. He was instrumental in establishing Coleg Harlech in north Wales in 1927 (known as the University of the Second Chance) and 10 years later, an adult centre in Pontypool known as The Pontypool Educational Settlement.

He lived for some years in Barry, as secretary of a fund set up by the wealthy David Davies family, to combat tuberculosis, which during the 1930s affected one in 10 families in Wales.

Idris Berry, Porthcawl

The Samaritans tell of their plans for third self-help group

BRIDGEND MP Madeleine Moon met with director Christine Allen and deputy director Trisha Lancaster, of Bridgend Samaritans last week, for an update on the work Samaritans are doing on the streets of the borough in their bus, providing confidential and emotional support for people, and plans for a third self-help group for people bereaved by suicide.

ABOVE:
The MP hands over her surprise cheque.

The MP reported: "They advised me that they have two successful self-help groups up and running – one group in the Bridgend YMCA on the first Thursday evening of the month, and another group in Llantwit Major at the MIND Project on the third Thursday evening of the month.

"They plan a third self-help group at Bethlehem Church Life Centre in Cefn Cribwr. This group is still in the planning stage but will be piloted in the next month and will be held in the afternoon.

"Towards the end of our meeting, I surprised them both with a cheque for £75, from my work completing parliamentary questionnaires, to help support their new project in some way," the MP concluded.

Bridgend Samaritans can be contacted on 01656 662333, or email jo@samaritans.org

Quiz posers

HERE are some posers from the VA Newman Quiz League:

1) Which mobile phone company was established in 2001 when a Japanese company merged with a Swedish company?.

2) In the television comedy Men Behaving Badly, what was the forename of the character played by Martin Clunes?

3) Who played a record 564 games for Manchester City between 1959 & 1976?

4) What was the family name of Lord Longford?

ALAN RUDGE (Quiz league secretary)

ANSWERS
1.Eriksson
2.Gary
3. Alan Oakes
4.Pakenham

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL AUGUST 11)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time AM	Ht M	Time PM	Ht M
04 Thur	11.18	9.9	23.43	9.8
05 Fri	11.59	9.5		
06 Sat	00.27	9.4	12.53	8.9
07 Sun	01.20	8.7	13.49	8.4
08 Mon	02.22	8.0	15.04	7.9
09 Tues	03.42	7.9	16.29	7.8
10 Wed	05.09	7.9	17.48	8.3
11 Thur	06.23	8.4	18.41	8.8

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should always check with a tide table specific to their location.

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'REGENERATION PLAN IS SHORT-CHANGING COUNCIL TAXPAYERS' – SAYS PORTHCAWL CIVIC TRUST

REPORT by PHILIP IRWIN

PORTHCAWL Civic Trust Society has obtained the official breakdown of how much land in the Porthcawl regeneration area is owned by Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) – and how much is in private ownership.

The trust has pursued the issue of who owns what, and whether council taxpayers are getting a fair deal, for some time now. In June, in response to a Freedom of Information request, it finally received an official breakdown from Andrew Jolley, the assistant chief executive, legal and regulatory services, at BCBC.

Auditors were sent in last autumn by the Civic Trust, Porthcawl Chamber of Trade and Porthcawl SHOUT to examine the proposals to divide up the profits of the scheme between the council, who are the major landowners, and the two Evans families, who own or lease the remainder of the land.

The accountants KPMG, who act for the district auditor, said that lessons could be learned from the way in which these regeneration issues were handled, but they did not propose to take any action.

The GEM has already revealed confidential information published on 'pink' papers relating to the way in which the profits from the sale of part of phase one land, at Salt Lake and Hillsboro Place for a new Tesco store are to be divided.

The deal agreed between the council and the Evans Families gives the council 60 per cent of the overall profits of the entire regeneration scheme, with the Evans's getting 40 per cent.

However, the report revealed that those percentages change drastically for the first part of phase one, with the council's share dropping to 28 per cent and the Evans Families getting 72 per cent. The £6.5m profit from this is being shared according to this ratio, with the Evans' Families getting £4.7m and the council £1.8m.

BCBC has argued that it has been able to use that £1.8m to secure match funding from the EU to start work on the harbour regeneration portion of the scheme.

The owners' agreement will give the Evans Families a guaranteed £5m from phase one, with their money topped up by a further £300,000 from the sale of the rest of the land; and a further guaranteed £10m from phase two, which includes Sandy Bay.

The Evans Families are guaranteed £15m in total, regardless of what the land actually sells for, and this agreement has a life of 20 years.

The initial challenge from the civic society was to do with this 60-40 split.

The society spent many months trying to get information from BCBC about the various acreages of the different plots of land involved in the regeneration.

It put in Freedom of Information requests which were rejected but, in June it received a letter giving a breakdown of who owns what.

Bearing in mind that a report in 2006 from the council's estates manager stated that the 93 acres within the Porthcawl Regeneration area was broken down into 41 acres for the Evans and 51 acres for the council, the figures revealed by Andrew Jolley differ markedly.

It says that BCBC owns outright a total of 87.79 acres. It owns the biggest chunk of developable land at Sandy Bay (55.45 acres), although the Evans Families control crucial areas around the fair which give access to that land. These are commonly referred to in the planning business as "ransom strips".

BCBC also owns 32.34 acres covering the Harbour, Salt Lake and Hillsboro Car Park area (phase one), giving a total of 87.79 acres.

Turning to the Evans Familes' landholdings, BCBC say that they own or lease a total of 92.49 acres. However, this figure is dramatically reduced by the acknowledgement that this figure includes 67.59 acres below the high water mark on Coney Beach and Sandy Bay.

This means that the only developable land that the Evans' own is on the fairground area, totalling 12.95 acres. However, they will be retaining 1.5 acres for a travelling fair, and will have a lease on a five-acre site for car parking, renewable annually as long as the fair operates.

The Evans Families have a lease on the 9.26 acres at Salt Lake Car Park. BCBC owns the land but the lease has approximately 25 years still to run.

The Evans Families also have another lease on land at Mackworth Road, which is owned by a third party, and this is thought to be the old 'Monster Park' which totals 2.69 acres. The terms of this lease are unknown to the Civic Trust or to The GEM.

Before any development can take place on this land as part of regeneration, it will be necessary to purchase the freehold.

The GEM has asked who will foot that bill – will the council have to buy out the owners? Or will it be down to the leaseholders (the Evans Families) and funded from their share of the profits?

The fear of the civic trust society is that Porthcawl could end up with only a Tesco and more houses, while the private owners walk away with a guaranteed income plus a number of assets, including:

- A 1.5 acre site fronting the new Sandy bay promenade for commercial leisure use.
- 0.75 acres of land at Mackworth Road for houses.
- A site for a mini golf course.
- Kiosk sites on the Coney Beach promenade and the Eastern promenade at a 'peppercorn' rent.

Land will also be allocated opposite the fire station on The Green, which is council owned, for a Grace Church Community Centre.

The civic trust society claims that Porthcawl is the Milch-cow of the borough. Last year, of the £20.8m collected by BCBC in council tax, Porthcawl contributed 37 per cent, despite only having 14 per cent of the population of the borough.

In a recent newsletter, the society summed up its position, saying: "The only plan BCBC appears to be working to is to significantly increase the construction of housing.

"Sandy Bay is to become a housing estate, and a new road has to be driven through Coney Beach land to service it.

"Salt Lake, the area that should impress visitors as they arrive, is to be dominated by multi-storey flats."

A BCBC spokesperson said: "The information provided by Bridgend County Borough Council, which formed the basis of the owner's agreement, has been considered by the external auditor and two independent valuers, who have all agreed that this is the most beneficial way forward to ensure that regeneration in Porthcawl is delivered.

"The council is satisfied with the outcome of this process."

THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF AN ERA!

Work has started on demolishing one of Bridgend's best-known buildings, the Embassy Cinema (above). Mel Mathias of owners CentreGreat said that in the short term, the site would be used for car parking. In the longer term, he said that the intention was to attract a major retailer such as Debenhams or Marks and Spencer.
This would, however, depend on market conditions. He added that materials in the demolished building would be recycled within the construction industry.

Members are entertained in style of Joyce!

LALESTON WI NEWS

AT the July meeting, the report on the AGM held in Liverpool attended by Margaret Williams was read out in her absence by Margaret Aylen.

It was a very full report on what was a busy meeting; the resolution on the closure of local libraries was voted against and the resolution on mega farms was abandoned..

The trip to Tintern had started in the rain, but after lunch, the weather improved and a good afternoon was spent in Monmouth.

An evening visit to see *Joseph* at the Swansea Grand was much enjoyed, and members were at Porthcawl's Grand Pavilion to see *The King and I* on July 28.

The luncheon club met on July l2 and the venue was The Tap at Pyle.

A number of members entered the various classes at the Glamorgan Show and Laleston provided some stewards.

Unfortunately, due to the very wet morning, the WI was unable to 'man' its usual stall at the St David's Church fete on July l6.

The rest of the evening on July 7 was conducted by Joyce Grenfell, or rather Mrs. Pamela Robson.

Suitably attired, Mrs Robson sang songs and read poems by Joyce Grenfell, Flanders and Swan, John Betjeman, Cole Porter, Stanley Holloway and Gracie Fields.

Members joined in the singing of two of the latter's most popular songs – 'Sally' and 'The Biggest Aspidistra in the World'. A vote of thanks was given by Pat Gulwell.

There being no meeting in August, the next occasion will be the annual harvest auction on September l.

The monthly meetings take place on the first Thursday in the month at 7.l5pm in the Gardening Club and new members will be most welcome.

Rotarians get to know the Samaritans

President Talfyn Harries presenting a cheque to Christine Allen of Bridgend Samaritans to help with operating costs.

TRICIA and Christine, of the Bridgend Samaritans, last week visited Maesteg Rotary Club at its new meeting place, the Old House, Llangynwyd on Monday, July 25.

The Samaritan Movement was founded by Chad Varah in 1953 and is a self-funding charity which receives just two per cent of its income from public funds.

The majority of its income comes from individuals, trusts and companies without whom it would not be possible to carry on providing an emotional support and emotional health service.

The Bridgend branch actually started its work on Station Hill, Maesteg, in 1973, providing a daily 12-hour service.

In order to extend its work and obtain 24-hour status, the club moved to Bridgend in 1975, and to its current location on Green Street in 1988, from where it now provides a 24-hour service 365 days a year.

Individuals wishing to communicate with Samaritans can do so by telephone, email, text or face to face. It also provides help to individuals in Parc Prison and directly through its 'Feet on the Street' initiative.

It costs more than £100 per day to run the Bridgend branch and some £10 million to fund the scheme throughout the whole of the UK.

Readers wishing to contact the Samaritans can do so by calling 01656 662333 and 08457 909090; Maesteg Rotary Club can be contacted at viv.gage@talk21.com or 01639 870442.

Fete success, and a 'journey' through the gardens of Wales

NEWS FROM THE COITY WI

THE round of summertime fetes goes on and earlier this month, Coity village fete was blessed once again with glorious weather.

The WI had another successful afternoon with their popular 'bag-a-bag' stall.

The array of bags, each concealing a treat, made a colourful and attractive display, and by the end of the day a satisfying sum had been raised for Coity WI.

The Glamorgan Federation Show held at North Cornelly was the next event, and members were pleased with results.

Margaret Evans won first prize for her flapjacks; Mair Feeley gained a highly commended for her delicate watercolour painting, and the cooperative entry of cakes, scones and sandwiches also gained a highly commended in the class entitled 'Tea for Two.'

Junior entrant, Megan Fairchild, won a highly commended certificate for her model of a clown. Megan is the grand-daughter of treasurer Jean Rees.

The speaker at the July meeting was the well-known gardening expert, Sheena Crossley, who, with her excellent collection of slides, led us on a fascinating journey through Wales via its gardens.

From Bute Park to Bodnant, from Plantasia to Plas Rhiw, a fascinating variety of gardens was uncovered, some well-known, some new, and all of them with a story to tell. The vote of thanks was given by President Mary Poland.

There will be no meeting in August, but the summer trip to Eardisley summer fair will take place on August 5, leaving The Six Bells, Coity, at 8am.

The speaker for the September meeting will be Marjorie Page, who will give a talk on Clarice Cliff.

Members meet on the last Wednesday of the month at Coity Church Hall at 7.30pm.

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CROWN COURT ROUND-UP with **AJ SICLUNA**

Man started fires to 'tidy up area'

FIRES were deliberately started around Pencoed College by a man who later told the police he wanted to "tidy up the area".

Cardiff Crown Court heard that people saw flames eight feet high at the scene.

Rhys Norman, 22, of Heol-y-Onnen, Pencoed, admitted a charge of arson.

He was sentenced to a community order for two years, which involved a supervision order for a similar period.

He was also made subject to an anti-social behaviour order for two years.

Prosecutor Julian Greenwood said that on March 25, police received a call from local residents concerning fires being started behind Penybont Road, Pencoed.

Officers discovered a large brush fire had been started behind builders merchants' land close to Pencoed College.

Local residents identified Norman as being responsible.

The police went to his home, but he was not there.

They then returned to the field and found him standing in a thicket of trees starting more fires.

He was arrested and said: "I didn't realise I was causing any damage or problems. I was just out with the dog and I thought I would tidy up the area."

Mr Greenwood said he became aggressive and officers had to restrain him.

His counsel Kevin Seal said he was engaging with psychiatric services. Recently, he had had anxiety attacks.

"He is not fascinated by fires, but he needs to be dealt with in the community. Hopefully, you won't see him in this court again."

Judge Christopher Llewellyn-Jones said the damage caused was up to £150.

The seriousness was that the fires were lit close to buildings.

He said he had come to the conclusion that at the moment, there was no evidence that Norman posed a risk.

"It was a one-off incident. Being brought to court has been a bit of a shock to you," he said.

Norman said: "I promise I won't do it again."

Prison sentence for drug dealer

A DRUGS dealer has been jailed for three-and-a-half years at Cardiff Crown Court.

Unknown to her, the man with whom she was dealing in Bridgend was an undercover police officer.

Hayley Owen (31) of Mackworth Road, Porthcawl, had been convicted at Vale Magistrates for supplying heroin and had been committed to the Crown Court for sentence.

The court heard she had previous convictions for possessing heroin, battery, and for offences of dishonesty. In May 2009, she received 27 months at Cardiff Crown Court for supplying heroin and possessing the drug.

On that occasion, it was stated, she supplied heroin in Market Street, Bridgend.

Judge Eleri Rees told her: "You knew all too well the risk you were taking, because you were already on licence. You took that risk and knew what would happen if you re-offended."

The judge said that Owen had wasted her life.

Prosecutor John Warren said that on January 25, she supplied heroin in Mackworth Street, Bridgend. Unknown to her, the man was an undercover police officer who was carrying out an operation in the area.

When Owen's home was searched, police found a diary in which she disclosed that she had to be careful in drugs dealing, because she had heard that there was "an operation" being carried out.

She later made a statement, saying she was trying to address her drugs problem.

Her counsel, Meirion Davies, said: "She realises that prison is inevitable. Her offending began in her late 20s, and drugs have made her life fall apart."

She was, he said, at the bottom end of the ladder of supplying.

"She was not by any means a major supplier. She is in a sad situation and if she commits another similar offence, could receive seven years."

Bridgend bridge club latest results

THE top three in the recent Bridgend Bridge Club evenings were as follows:

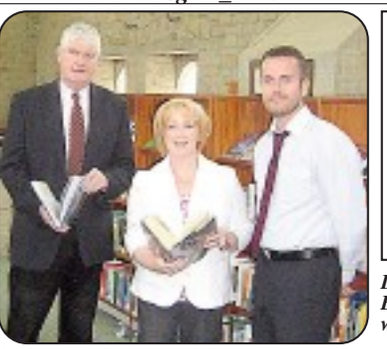
Wednesday, July 27. First – Mike Close and Irene Thomas, second – Joan Jenkins and Liam Sheridan, third – Ann Fox and Geoff Barnes.

Friday, July 29. First – Bill Turner and Ray Smith, second – Vida Halford and Glyn Williams, third – Mary Moore and Ann Fox.

The club meets at 7pm on Wednesday and Friday evenings at Nolton Church Hall and a warm welcome is assured for both new members and visitors.

A host system is running for those who don't have a partner on a Friday, and a partner-finder system operates on a Wednesday.

Full details are on the club's website - google Bridgend Bridge Club



'Brilliant new library' wins AMs' approval

LEFT:
Byron Davies and Suzy Davies with Martyn Jones.

A stamp of approval has been given to Bridgend county borough's newest library.

Y Llynfi is the library set up in part of Maesteg Sports Centre. It houses the Welsh language archive of the county borough, as well as the sheet music collection and also family history research material.

The library was opened last autumn with a £100,000 grant from the Welsh Assembly Government and it has now been visited by two regional AMs.

Suzy Davies, shadow minister for Welsh language and culture, and Byron Davies, shadow minister for regeneration, both represent south Wales west as Welsh Conservatives.

They were conducted around the library, which is partially located in the old blast engine house of the Llynfi ironworks, by librarian Martyn Jones and assistant Anna Rankin.

The library has almost 7,000 Welsh books, plus other material ,including old maps and newspapers.

It also has a computer suite, which provides access for all and seating and reading areas.

Suzy Davies said that she was very impressed with the set-up: "This is a brilliant facility for anyone wishing to access Welsh language material and information. Maesteg, and Llangynwyd, in particular, have the highest percentages of Welsh speakers in the borough, so putting this here was entirely appropriate.

"Also, the music archive is very important and once again, Maesteg has a large number of choirs and musical groups who can benefit from having this material close at hand."

Byron Davies said that from a regeneration viewpoint, the library and sports centre represent a fantastic use of an old industrial building.

"The restoration of the blast engine house is superb and it has been given a modern use that makes it as relevant to the community today as it would have been in 1839 when it was built.

"The work done on the building won the council the top award from the Stone Federation of Great Britain, knocking Westminster Abbey into second place. That itself is a testament to the quality of this building.

"This is a very innovative scheme and I commend the borough council for its actions," he commented.

Tory AM backs the Dogs Trust

THE new leader of the Welsh Conservative group in the Assembly has vowed to support the work of the Dogs Trust in Bridgend.

South Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies and Byron Davies (South Wales West) pledged their commitment to improving dog welfare in Wales and discussed working with the Dogs Trust to bring about much needed legislative change across Wales.

The regional AMs met Dogs Trust public affairs manager Laura Vallance for an in-depth discussion on tackling dog welfare issues in Wales.

Afterwards, Mr Davies, who lives in the Vale, said: "We discussed the need to improve dog breeding standards and the benefits of a comprehensive micro-chipping programme, as well as the Trust's 'Farm Dog Scheme' which offers farmers the opportunity to neuter dogs for free."

This year, the Rehoming Centre at Bridgend has found owners for 320 dogs. "It was great to witness first-hand the work that the Dogs Trust does, to meet so many homeless dogs, and see just how well they are looked after here. I have pledged to support them as much as I can in my role as an Assembly Member.

"I think it is also important to ensure that people are aware of their responsibilities if they have pets, and to consider very carefully the implications of taking new pets on; particularly given the current economic climate," Mr Davies commented.

The AMs were greeted by staff members and two newly-named puppies – RT and Byron – before being given a tour of the centre and the chance to meet some of the other resident dogs.

Andrew RT Davies.

Porthcawl team in a knockout challenge for children's hospice

DYNAMO PORTHCAWL – THE TEAM BATTLED HARD.

ALTHOUGH the weather stayed dry, participants in the Ty Hafan – It's a Knockout Challenge, recently got decidedly wet as they battled with the likes of the Bungee Mat, the Squeezies and tubes full of foam.

Team Dynamo Porthcawl, led by Angelo Pucella, were among a total of 26 teams who all "had a day of fantastic fun", albeit with a good-natured competitive edge.

Angelo and his family were referred to the Ty Hafan hospice in 2010, because his four-year-old son has a rare condition known as Rohhad.

The family have had several stays at the hospice, where they all enjoy a special time together.

Team Dynamo battled hard, but the proud winners of the coveted title of It's a Knockout Champions 2011, were the Old Pens from Penarth.

The event was again sponsored by the Foresters, whose regional membership manager, Elizabeth Carrington-Porter commented:

"In supporting the It's a Knockout event, our hope is to encourage lots of families to have fun together in both taking part and also as spectators, to raise much-needed funds for Ty Hafan and the wonderful work that they do."

Event organiser Helen Gibbons from Ty Hafan, added: "I would like to thank everyone involved in making the day such a success, including South Wales Police and, of course, all the teams for taking part.

"All the money raised will help Ty Hafan continue providing care and support to life-limited children, and their families from across Wales," she explained.

Who wants to build what and where in the county borough?

Andrew James, **St Mary's RC Primary School, Llangewydd Road, Cefn Glas** – fell limbs of Ash tree to ground level.

Andrew James, **Ysgol Bryn Castell School, Llangewydd Road, Bryntirion** – fell Elm tree close to perimeter fence.

Dixons Retail, **Unit 4 Picton Court Retail Park, Waterton** – banners to front of building.

Mr J Smith, **66 Rushfield Gardens, Bridgend** – works to several trees, including reducing heights, prune overhanging branches and fell one tree.

Yum Restaurants International, **Drive-thru McCarthur Glen, Designer Outlet, The Derwen, Bridgend** – various illuminated and non-illuminated signs.

Ms Jacqueline Roberts, **Old School House, Penyfai** – advert signage for nursery.

Mr D Mountjoy, **2 Laurel Close, Bryncethin** – single storey extension to front elevation to provide new lounge.

Mrs Patricia Ribbon, **12 Glan y Llyn, North Cornelly, Bridgend** – single storey side extension.

Tiffany Properties Ltd, **65 Mary Street, Porthcawl** – convert and extend office building to create three self-contained dwellings and one single dwelling above parking spaces.

Inetec Limited, **Unit 17, Village Farm Road, Village Farm Industrial Estate, Pyle** – create road and contaminated packaging waste treatment facility with a 12.5 tonne thermal drying unit and alts.

Mrs Cathy Cearns, **1 Sandy Lane, Porthcawl** – alterations and extension.

Mrs Phillipa Hawkins, **The Old Stables, Ty Talwyn Farm, Cefn Cribwr** – purpose-built wooden aviaries to house birds of prey.

Greenbuild Consult, **site adjacent to 113 Bridgend Road, Maesteg** – four two-bed , two-storey dwellings along Bridgend Road and two bungalows to rear of site.

Mr S Griffiths, **65 Alexandra Road, Pontycymmer** — detached garage with flat roof in rear garden.

Mr Keith David, **47 The Chase, Brackla** – single storey porch with utility/toilet room to front and side of dwelling.

Mr A Stokes, **Glanyrafon, 55 Penybont Road, Pencoed** – two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and side conservatory.

Mrs H Atwood, **8 Crossfield Avenue, Porthcawl** – change rear hip roof to a gable.

Chris Morgan, **4 Penybont Industrial Estate, Coity Road, Bridgend** – change of use from industrial/warehouse use to leisure use.

Bridgend CBC, **Bryngarw Country Park, Brynmenyn** – refurbishment of visitor centre and public toilets and single storey extension to visitor centre and café.

Kenfig Hill & District Male Voice choir celebrates its 40th anniversary in style

MALE voice choral singing has flourished in Kenfig Hill since the late 1800s.

However, the onset of the Second World War created a break in this tradition, with so many men being called up for service.

It was not until 1971 that the situation was rectified, when the Kenfig Hill & District Male Voice Choir was formed.

Beginning with just 18 members, it is now 70-strong, with two accomplished musical directors and two equally accomplished accompanists.

To celebrate the choir's 40th anniversary, a gala evening of song was presented in the Grand Pavilion, Porthcawl, on Saturday, July 16.

What a tremendous concert it turned out to be, with the packed audience giving a standing ovation at the finale.

Performing to a full house, the choir shared the stage with 'Crescendo', its own youth choir, and the massed schools choir of Afon y Felin Primary School, Corneli Primary School, Mynydd Cynffig Junior School and Pîl Primary School.

My ears are still ringing to the massed schools choir's wonderful rendering of 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang'!

Philip Juliff, musical director of the Kenfig Hill & District Male Voice Choir, was in overall charge of conducting the concert, with Andrew Chinnock and Beryl Evans providing the accompaniment.

The special guest artist was the well known singer and entertainer Eve Sherratt, soprano, while Tony Mullens did a great job as compère.

A solo performance was also given by the choir's tenor, Robert Tremlett and Andrew Chinnock, the choir's talented accompanist.

The concert was attended by Carwyn Jones, AM, First Minister of Wales, who provided the following accolade in the souvenir programme:

"As an Honorary Patron of Kenfig Hill & District Male Voice Choir it gives me great pleasure in congratulating the choir on its 40th anniversary.

"The first item in the choir's constitution is this: 'The objectives of the choir are; the study and practice of choral music resulting in public performances'.

"The choir has successfully attained this objective throughout the United Kingdom and overseas in France, Germany, Norway, Poland, Estonia, Ireland and across the Atlantic in Canada; and in so doing, has given pleasure to a wide range of audiences, whilst raising many thousands of pounds for worthwhile charities.

"The choir fosters comradeship and support for its members, with nearly half of them having served more than 25 years; 17 have been made life members for 30 or more years of service, including choir secretary and founder member Don Daniel; long may the choir continue to flourish."

Guests were welcomed in the foyer of the Grand Pavilion by Win Griffiths, president of the Kenfig Hill & District Male Voice Choir.

They included principal sponsors David Brace and party of Dunraven Windows, Mike Thomas of Green Acre Motel, and Hopkin Joseph, of Watts & Morgan.

The choir was also pleased to welcome Madeleine Moon, MP and past musical director, the Rev Richard Spencer, of Christ Church, Roath, Cardiff.

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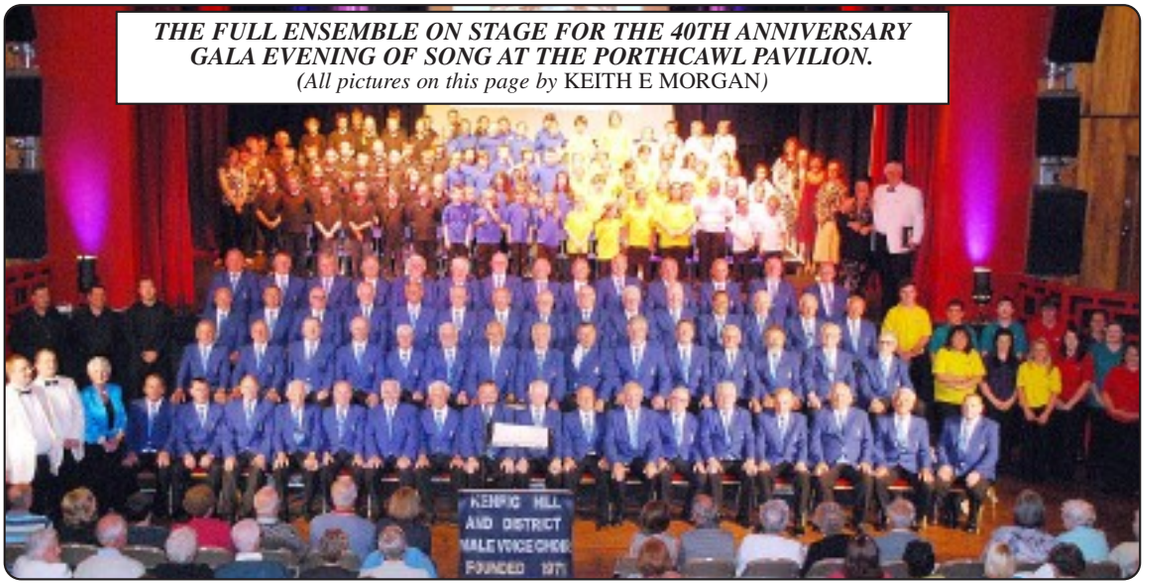
THE FULL ENSEMBLE ON STAGE FOR THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY GALA EVENING OF SONG AT THE PORTHCAWL PAVILION.
(All pictures on this page by KEITH E MORGAN*)*



ABOVE: The massed schools choir.

LEFT: Choir president Win Griffiths (on far left) is pictured with secretary Don Daniel, welcoming the principal sponsor, Hopkin Joseph of Watts & Morgan, together with his companion Gillian Hale.

ABOVE: Win Griffiths,with secretary Mr Don Daniel, welcoming sponsor Mr David Brace of Dunraven Windows and family, left to right: son Matthew Brace; David Brace; Win Griffiths; Ellen Brace; Dawn Brace and Don Daniel.

ABOVE: Win Griffiths, with Harold Phillips, choir chairman and chorister, and Don Daniel, choir secretary and chorister, welcoming sponsor Mike Thomas, Green Acre Motel, seen here third from left with Nicola Davies of JMD Law.
Also in the photograph, from fourth left to right, are Don Daniel, Eve Sherratt, guest artist, and Harold Phillips.

Win Griffiths, president and secretary Don Daniel welcome honorary patron, Carwyn Jones, AM, First Minister of Wales.

Madeleine Moon MP, paying tribute to the unsung heroes of St John Ambulance, who turn out religiously to provide emergency First Aid cover at all concerts held in the Grand Pavilion, Porthcawl.

ABOVE: Guest artist singer and entertainer Eve Sherratt.

Youth theatre's *King and I* was a musical spectacular with a real emotional punch

REVIEW by PHILIP IRWIN

PHOTOGRAPHS by MALCOLM NUGENT

AFTER the gruesome goings on in Fleet Street last year in *Sweeney Todd*, Roger Burnell, the director of the Bridgend Youth Theatre (BYT) chose a more mainstream crowd pleaser this year, in Rodgers and Hammerstein's *The King and I*.

It has more hummable tunes, the costumes make it a dazzling spectacle, and the fact that the King of Siam has 67 children raises the 'cute kid' quotient no end.

In truth, my memories of the show were of a sugary evening with bright tunes such as 'Whistle a Happy Tune', 'Getting to Know You' and 'Shall We Dance' but the all-round talents of this cast reminded the audience that there was a lot more to the story.

Let's start with the girls first, because it would be hard to find anyone more in command of the roles than the three leads.

After being so good as Mrs Lovett last year in Sweeney, it was no surprise that Melanie Stevens excelled as Anna, the English schoolteacher who has been hired to tutor the king's children.

She sailed through her songs, and her dialogue scenes with the king were funny and emotional, and she conveyed a strong-willed woman very convincingly.

As Tuptim, the young and unhappy girl sent to the king as a 'present' from Burma, Lowri Izzard made all the audience feel for her predicament. Her voice is really strong, and she made the absolute most of her big number 'My Lord and Master'.

She and Jack Davies (Lun Tha) made a touching pair of doomed lovers.

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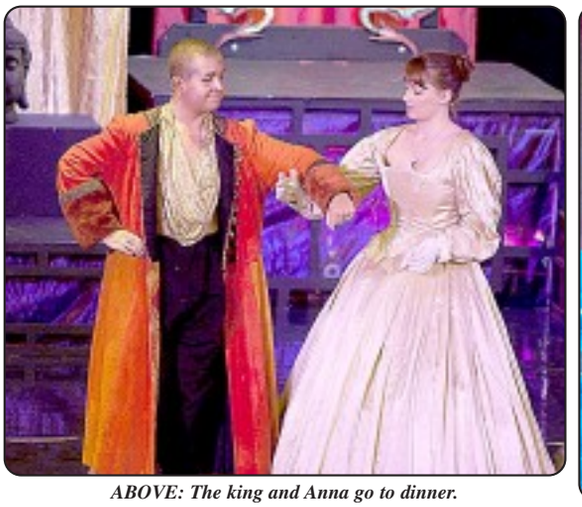
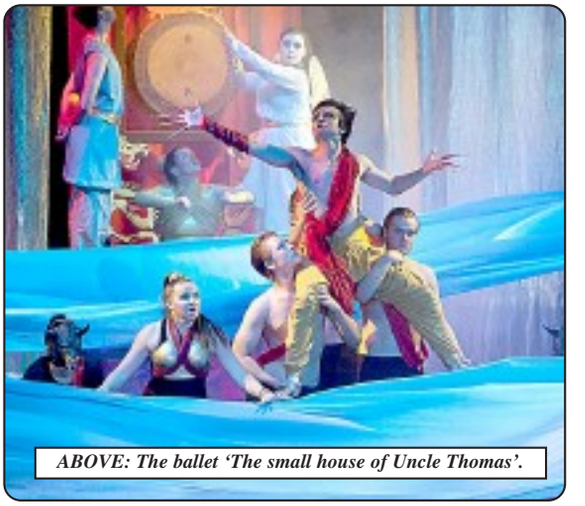
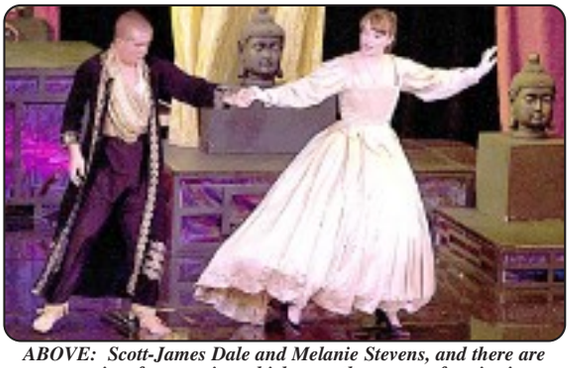


ABOVE: The king and Anna go to dinner.



ABOVE: The ballet 'The small house of Uncle Thomas'.

ABOVE: The king loses his temper.



ABOVE: Scott-James Dale and Melanie Stevens, and there are no prizes for guessing which song they are performing! (It's 'Shall We Dance').

ABOVE: The king and his son (played by Corey Bridgeman) try to make sense of an ever-changing world.

ABOVE: The fugitive Tuptim (Lowri Izzard) is captured and returned to the palace.

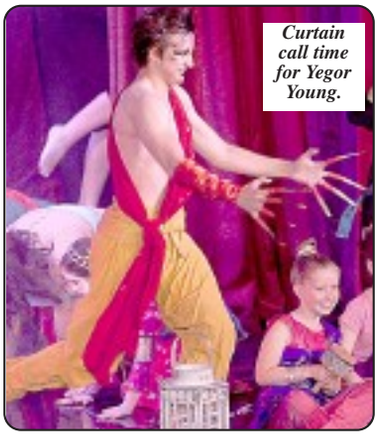
ABOVE: The king's wives, getting used to English dresses.

ABOVE: Another very well-known song – this time 'Getting to Know You'.

ABOVE: Anna and the king with Lady Chang (Amelia Jones).

The dazzling royal court of Siam comes to Porthcawl!

ABOVE: The two doomed lovers, Tuptim (Lowri Izzard) and Lun Tha (Jack Davies).



Curtain call time for Yegor Young.

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However, the biggest cheer of the night went to Amelia Jones (Lady Chang) at the conclusion of her song 'Something Wonderful'. This may have been partly because she is a Porthcawl Comprehensive girl, who shone last January as Cossette in *Les Miserables*, but the song really did suit her excellent voice, which has a great warmth to it.

She also acted the role well, giving Lady Chang a sense of wisdom and compassion.

So, as the girls were all on top form, it put a bit of pressure on Scott-James Dale, who played the king – the role made famous by Yul Brynner.

Scott, of course, was cast last year as the lead in *Sweeney Todd*, and had to make a tough decision when he was invited to the X-factor boot camp.

He pulled out and tried his luck with the TV show, but this year he had a second chance with the BYT.

He did, I think, do something that eluded Yul, because in the film, I could never believe that the king was so emotionally confused after he and Anna had argued, that he could die of a broken heart...

However, Scott's distress was so palpable that I started to believe that he could retire to his bed and gradually fade away.

Before his death scene, he made you warm to the king, and he got every ounce of comedy from his character. He sings well, too, and he and Mel shared some very tender scenes.

There were plenty of things to praise in this production, but I have to single out the ballet, Tuptim's adaptation of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.

Lizzie Davies-Macmillan has choreographed many BYT productions, but this was beautifully done, with all the dancers on form, particularly Natasja Bryant as Eva and Kate Jones as Topsy. Also impressive was Yegor Young as the evil Simon of Legree.

There are so many other cast members who deserve praise, because everyone plays their part to make a show like this work. Corey Bridgemen made a fine prince, and Owain Miller and Jack Gillard were impressive as the king's courtiers.

There was plenty of talent among the king's wives too, and it all bodes well for the future.

For the senior production team of Roger Burnell, Xenia Yardley (assistant director) and Michael Plowman (musical director), this was yet another high quality BYT show.

Ticket sales were strong, but it still disappoints me to see any empty seats at all.

With the success of *Glee* and recent shows such as the search for a Dorothy, we are told that there is huge interest in musicals.

I can't help thinking that if people realised the performance levels demanded by the BYT, they would get out and see it happen live, rather than from the comfort of their armchairs!

King and I cast list

The King – Scott-James Dale; *Anna* – Melanie Stevens; *Kralahome* – Owain Miller; Jack – Gillard; *Lady Thiang* – Amelia Jones; *Tuptim* – Lowri Izzard; *Lun Tha* – Jack Davies; *Prince Chululongkorn* – Corey Bridgeman, Stefan Farmer (matinee show); *Louis* – Tom Rowlands; *Captain Orton* – Rhys Causon; *Interpreter* – James Gillard; *Phra Lack* – Owain Miller, Jack Gillard; *Ling Cha* – Joe Wiltshire Smith; *Sir Edward Ramsay* – Luke Bevan; *Princess Ying Yalok* – Martha Macmillan; *Princess Ya Ling* – Kate Jones; *Royal Announcer* – Stefan Farmer; *Royal Singing Wives* – Hazel Elstone, Dayna Jeynes, Harmony Millar, Kate Jones, Claire Williams, Hannah Robertson; *Royal Wives* – Natasja Bryant, Abbie Lee Owen, Chloe Carson, Ester Richmond, Lauren Saunders; *Royal Nannies* – Kim Robotham, Hannah Parker, Megan Evans, Lara Lewis, Sophie Hoyle; *Guards/Diplomats* – Joe Wiltshire Smith, Sam Lane, Matthew Jones, Josh Daniels, Curtis Wade, Tom Hunt, Jevan Cannon, Stefan Farmer, Gethin Williams, Sam Bennet.

Understudies: Sam Lane (The King); Hazel Elstone (Lady Thiang); Dayna Jeynes (Tuptim); Joe Wiltshire Smith (Lun Tha).

The Ballet: Characters – *Eliza* – Natasja Bryant; *George* – Stefan Farmer; *Angel* – Ellie Morris; *Uncle Thomas* – Curtis Wade; *Topsy* – Kate Jones; *Simon of Legree* – Yegor Young; *Eva* – Martha Macmillan; *Buddha* – Hazel Elstone; *Warrior Queen* – Chloe Carson.

Soldiers and Scientific Dogs: James Gillard, Chloe Carson, Josh Daniels, Jevan Cannon, Corey Bridgeman, Abbie Lee Owen, Katie Roberts, Hannah Parker, Sam Lane, Sophie Bradbury.

Happy People: Rob Davis, Andrew Johnson, Lara Lewis, Sophie Hoyle, Emily Wintle, Maisie Kidd, Blythe Hughes-Davies, Annabelle Morgan, Lily-May Evans, Harriet Townsend, Nathan Williams, Megan Evans, Kim Robotham, Harriet Collins, Kate Goff, Angharad Jones, Lleucu Jones, Georgia Murray.

Production team: *Director* – Roger Burnell; *assistant director* – Xenia Yardley; *musical director* – Michael Plowman; *musical assistant* – Daniel Pugh Bevan; *choreography* – Lizzie Davies-Macmillan; *production manager* – Andrew Wallen, Mario Williams; *production assistant* – Louise Rouse; *stage manager* – Andrew Wallen; *venue stage manager* – John Kirk; *deputy stage manager* – Eleri Connick; *sound design* – Dave Spencer; *lighting design* – Mario Williams, Kieran Bluck; *set build* – John Kirk; *costume design* – Rosie Berry, Kelly Ellis; *costume assistant* – Lucy Pugh-Bevan; *marketing* – Serina Williams; *trainee company production manager* – Hazel-May Elstone; *Juniors coordinator* – Nicky Taliesin; *Chaperones* – Sian Rowlands, Rhian Griffiths, Ben Rowlands; **Trainee Technical Team**: *Stage manager* – Josh Phillips; *assistant stage managers* – Rebecca Hurn and Andy Lewis Jones; *design/costume team* – Chloe Carson, Abbie Lee Owen, Kate Jones, Hazel-May Elstone.

The King and I Orchestra: *Conductor* – Michael Plowman; *violins* – Sharon Williams (leader), Siwan Edwards, Richard Evans, Catherine Felton, Lucy Noden, Stephan Ulberini; *Viola* – Stuart Telling; *Cello* – Philip Hier; *Double Bass* – Allen Jones; *Flute:* Catherine White, Lucy Millership; *Oboe* – Catherine Tanner; *Clarinet*: Paul Noden, Lizzie Hunt; *Bassoon* – Isabelle Rosenberg; *French Horn and orchestral consultant* – David Hughes; *trumpet* – Martin Rogers, Ifan Jenkins; *trombone* – Jeff Pearce; *percussion* – Phil Hughes; *keyboard* – Dan Pugh-Bevan.

Felt maker shows off secrets of ancient art

FELT MAKER Pat Johnson has an exhibition of her work opening this week at the Silures Gallery in Porthcawl, entitled 'Out of the Blue,' inspired by the coastline around Dunraven Bay at Southerndown.

Better known for her hand-made scarves and accessories, this exhibition concentrates on her wall hangings and pictures.

Pat, who has lived in the Vale since her childhood, started making felt when she retired from teaching.

All her felt is made by hand in a shed in her garden.

Although an ancient art, felt making is enjoying a revival across Europe.

Pat has recently returned from an International Felt Makers' summer school in Denmark.

The exhibition runs from August 6–29.

She will be demonstrating felt techniques at the Gallery on Saturday, August 13 from 11am–1pm, and on Monday, August 29 (11am–3pm).

Major facelift for Bryncethin Hall

A MAJOR refurbishment at Bridgend's historic Bryncethin Memorial Hall, has seen all if its 27 windows replaced.

The former miners' institute, on School Road, now has double-glazing installed throughout the building.

Emlyn Griffiths, and the other members of the Bryncethin Memorial Hall committee, decided that the windows needed replacing and enlisted the help of third sector advisory body, Communities First, to make the necessary arrangements.

Local company Everest were then asked to do the work.

The funding for the new windows comes from the Coalfields Regeneration Trust, a pension fund that local miners used to pay into.

This is now being distributed back into the community, to transform buildings such as Bryncethin Memorial Hall.

MAESTEG CONCERT

THE Maesteg Gleemen Male Voice Choir and local artists will present a charity concert at Hope Baptist Church, Bridgend, on Friday, September 9, at 7pm, in aid of Home-Start Bridgend.

Tickets, adults £5 (concessions £3) available from Homestart on 01656 668111, or at the door.

Homestart has places available for charity runners in the London Marathon.

Contact the office on 01656 668111 for more information.

Left to right: Chris Higginson development manager (parks and playing fields), Mel Howells (areas supervisor parks and playing fields), AM John Griffiths and Dan Lock (Bryngarw Park warden).

Wilderness Park is one of the best in the country...

WILDERNESS LAKE and surrounding park in Porthcawl has received the Green Flag Award, a sign to visitors that the park is well-maintained and well-managed, with excellent facilities.

It can be found close to the centre of Porthcawl, and is popular with both local residents and visitors to the town.

Originally part of an area known as the Wilderness Wetlands, the scenic park, which is approximately four acres in size (2ha) is next to the village of Nottage, and comprises a large lake surrounded by woodland landscapes, grass areas and a children's play area.

Coun Phil White, cabinet member for communities, said: "I'm delighted to see a site like Wilderness Lake receiving the recognition it deserves.

"Bridgend County Borough Council employees work hard to maintain the area, which includes many different roles and responsibilities ranging from litter picking, maintaining woodland, to ensuring the children's play area is fit for use."

Recently, bank and island restoration works have taken place to enhance the visual landscape and the quality of the fishing available.

Development manager, Christopher Higginson added: "Stone and wood sculptures have also been erected, as a result of funding from Porthcawl Town Council, providing additional interest for visitors as they explore the park.

"I hope that residents and visitors alike continue to enjoy the benefits of this award-winning green space."

The site has a range of natural habitats which support a variety of animal and plant species.

Open all year round, the lake is a unique and delightful place to relax, enjoy, discover and explore.

Phil Barton, Green Flag Plus Partnership chairman said: "The Green Flag Award Scheme, and its growth, is essential in driving up the standards of our parks and green spaces.

"Access to quality green space is something we all desire and the scheme plays a key role in providing it," he explained.

Meet Dogs Trust charity shop team!

THE Dogs Trust Bridgend is opening a charity shop in Cowbridge, and an invitation has gone out to residents to 'meet the team'!

At the moment, Dogs Trust staff and volunteers are fitting out the shop, and also assessing stock that has been donated.

Linda Feagan, of Bridgend Dogs Trust, told The GEM: "We would be delighted to see potential volunteers, and anyone who would like to donate items for sale."

The shop, at Eastgate, will be open all day next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (August 8-10) to meet the Dogs Trust team.

Rhia Stankovic-Jones of the Dogs Trust added: "The shop is looking to stock good quality clothing, books and household items."

ABOVE: Rhia Stankovic-Jones examines some of the new stock.

RIGHT: Linda Feagan makes sure a mannequin is dressed just right;

Hospital radio station reaches 30th birthday

by PHILIP IRWIN

HOSPITAL Radio in Bridgend is almost 30 years old, and a dedicated group of volunteers are still hard at work in the Princess of Wales Hospital, providing their unique service.

However, they do have vacancies for new volunteers, both behind the microphone and in touring the wards, collecting requests from patients.

The volunteer Hospital Radio Service was formed by the League of Friends of Bridgend and District Health Trust on September 2, 1982.

It later became known as Bridgend League of Friends Radio (BLFR) and retains this name today – even though the League of Friends disbanded a year ago!

Based originally at the former Bridgend General Hospital, the station moved to the Princess of Wales Hospital on June 11, 1986, and began broadcasting in October of that year.

Dave Thomas became station manager in 1988.

The station's current home was allocated in August 1989, and it was updated in 2010 to meet the changes in technology.

The station's press officer, Sally Hyde, told The GEM: "The aim of the station has not changed over the years.

"It is still to provide an effective, volunteer-run request-based radio service for the entertainment of patients and the public using the hospital.

"It also aims to be self- financing from its own fundraising activities."

BLFR has a modern studio with up-to-date equipment, named after Geoffrey M Hopkin, the chair of the League of Friends.

It has a library and a technical suite which is named after the station's founder Walter Sage.

Sally said: "We do need some more volunteers, either to present a show, or to collect requests from patients.

"We also welcome any forms of sponsorship and donations."

She said that a typical commitment from a volunteer was two hours a week, and that those interested in presenting a programme would get full training.

She added: "We have a massive musical database now, with more than 50,000 titles, covering, classical, brass bands, choirs, and popular music from ABBA to ZZ Top."

She said that a presenter is expected to play a mix of music, including any requests that come in.

Because of the wide mix of patients, the station does not have themed hours playing just one genre.

Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the station manager, Dave Thomas, on 0796 865 7159 for an application form.

AM queries Pencoed park and ride's opening times

THE shadow transport minister, Byron Davies AM, has visited the new park and ride car park provided at Pencoed.

Coun Alex Williams and Byron Davies AM at the fenced-off foot path.

However, Welsh Conservative Mr Davies is concerned because a new footpath linking the car park, on the Hendre Road side of the track, with the railway station is not completed and has been fenced off.

This means that passengers are having to make a detour to reach the station.

He said: "I welcome the provision of this park and ride facility.

"It is crucial to get people out of their cars and onto public transport as much as possible, but I am concerned that the access path to the station remains uncompleted.

Mr Davies was accompanied by Pencoed town councillor, Alex Williams, who said that he understood the work was stopped because of issues to do with land ownership.

He said: "That begs the question of why such matters were not effectively dealt with by Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and Network Rail before they commenced the work.".

Mr Davies is also querying the opening hours of the new park and ride.

"There is a large sign that says that the car park is open from 7am to 6pm," he said.

"I thought initially that cars would be locked in after 6pm but I understand that they will be able to exit the car park, but no traffic will be allowed to enter after 6pm.

"I really do not understand the logic here. Lots of people go to Cardiff for concerts, the theatre, and other social events.

"A time of 6pm is ridiculously early, with many people wishing to catch trains after that time to enjoy a night out. Where are they supposed to park?

"This is putting unnecessary difficulties in people's way."

Mr Davies said that other park and ride car parks along the Maesteg line – at Sarn, Tondu and Maesteg itself – do not have gates and people can come and go at any time.

A spokesperson for BCBC responded, saying: "A path which leads to the railway platform is currently fenced off, but will be opened once Network Rail has agreed access arrangements onto the platform.

"The council is also looking at providing a pedestrian link from Coed y Craig to the link road via the park and ride, to serve the nearby properties.

"It was decided to install a locked gate and not admit cars after 6pm to prevent the potential for anti-social behaviour, such as people driving inappropriately in the car park.

"This also helps to minimise any disturbance to residents in the surrounding area. However, traffic flow plates still allow drivers to exit the car park after that time."

Mr Davies added: "I will be writing to Network Rail and BCBC about the position at Pencoed and hope to get some answers to these questions."

Three jailed

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Evans had no previous convictions and Russell had one conviction for inflicting grievous bodily harm on a man in Swansea, who suffered a fractured skull.

Owen Williams for Evans, said he was usually hard working and courteous. He was a first rate rugby player and had been the top try scorer for Kenfig Hill, and modelled sportswear. Peter Davies for Russell, said he was involved unnecessarily when the situation developed. He was wearing flip-flops and was involved for just seconds.

Meirion Davies for Chick said he had not been in trouble for 10 years and had turned his life completely around.

"He didn't take part at the genesis of a confused and pointless incident."

Motor bike stolen in Porthcawl

POLICE in Porthcawl are appealing for information after a white Honda motor cycle was stolen from The Esplanade, Porthcawl, sometime between 3.30pm and 4pm on July 23.

It had been parked alongside a Harley Davidson lookalike motor cycle at the time.

PC Mark Childs from Porthcawl police station said: "The theft of this motorcycle took place in the middle of a Sunday afternoon, when there would have been a number of visitors to the Porthcawl area, who may well have seen the two bikes parked alongside each other"

"I am appealing to anyone who was in the area at the time and witnessed the theft, or who has any relevant information, to come forward"

Telephone 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Eye checks

ON August 8, Bridgend opticians Specsavers are donating £1 from eye examinations to mark International Assistance Dogs Week (August 7-13) in aid of The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.

'Firm's move to Miskin is good news for the area' – *says an MP*

THE Vale MP, Alun Cairns, recently visited Renishaw, the Gloucestershire-based engineering company which is purchasing the vacant Bosch manufacturing facility near Miskin.

He said he was keen to meet senior executives to find out their plans.

The company hopes to complete the purchase of the new site by the end of September.

Mr Cairns reported: "I established that the site is being acquired to secure the manufacturing capacity required to accommodate the future growth of the business.

"I believe that this is excellent news for the Vale and the wider economy. It is too early to detail specific plans, but fair to say, that their use of the site will grow organically over time, rather than a major initial recruitment drive."

Mr Cairns added: "With a workforce of more than 2,600 and the challenge of recruiting new employees, the occupation of new premises within the next few months and the integration of newly acquired companies, the directors at Renishaw were keen to stress that they are confident that the group will continue to develop successfully."

The Dogs Trust's pet food windfall

STAFF at Dogs Trust Bridgend have said a "heart-felt thank you" to Burns Pet Nutrition, after the pet food company donated 16 pallets of dog food, with a retail value of £25,000 to the rehoming centre.

Burns' head nutritionist, Fiona Campbell, visited the centre to deliver the donation.

Beverley Price, Rehoming Centre manager at Dogs Trust Bridgend said: "We are very grateful to Burns Pet Nutrition for such a large donation of food.

"We have more than 70 dogs here at any one time, so it will all go to good use! One particular dog who is desperate for a new home, is a deaf Beagle cross called Billy Bob. He has learnt sign language at the centre to help him communicate with his new owner.

"So far, he knows '*sit*', '*down*', '*come here*' and his favourite is '*good boy*' – which is a simple thumbs-up.

"We've trained him, using hand signals and treats, and it's very rewarding to see how he's come on."

Beverley added: "Billy Bob is such a gentle boy and will form a strong attachment to his new owner.

"We'd like anyone who can offer him a home to get in touch."

Call Dogs Trust Bridgend directly on 01656 725 219, or visit the centre at Court Colman, Pen-y-Fai, Bridgend.

The Seconds get into a prime promotion position

VALE Seconds moved into the promotion places with a comfortable victory over Creigiau.

For the first time in two months Vale captain, Mark Francis, won the toss and chose to bat first.

In-form Gareth Andrews and Matthew Thomas built a solid opening partnership punishing any loose bowling and running well between the wickets.

Thomas was the first wicket to fall but not before an opening stand of 113 had been registered. Thomas made 45, which included two glorious sixes over extra cover before attempting to pull and getting caught at mid on.

The skipper and Andrews added 29 before the skipper was stumped for 16. Andrews passed 50 in effortless fashion for the second week running but finally perished, getting caught for a splendid 79 which included 11 boundaries.

With Vale on 162–3 after 33 overs, the platform was there to push on and this was done in the form of Wales backs coach Robert Howley, who hit a series of leg side boundaries.

Neil Raikes was the next wicket to fall being undone by a ball that swung back into him making a useful 20. Howley was joined by 17-year-old Jack Davies, who for the second week, showed his batting ability, building with Howley the best six wicket stand of the year, an unbeaten 64, to take the total to 247-5 off 45 overs.

Howley finished on 50 not out, an excellent innings which had provided acceleration to the innings at the right time and Davies finished 21 not out which was a fine effort.

Vale applied early pressure through Darren Upham and Davies, who both bowled well. However, it was an inspirational piece of fielding from Andrews with a direct hit that produced the first wicket.

This was followed up by Upham as he trapped the other opener lbw. Not to be outdone, Davies in the next over induced an edge behind which was well held by Ashley Taylor.

Davies struck again as the dangerous D Williams attempted a pull shot only to be well caught by Sean Boga Lake at midwicket, and he finished his spell by picking up his 3rd wicket as the skipper, fielding in close, dived to hold onto a catch at short extra cover. This left Creigiau in trouble at 44-5 after 14 overs.

A double bowling change was made, with Howley bowling at the pavilion end and Paul Gilbert at the Bridgend end. Howley, showing signs of rustiness, was not his usual accurate self and Gilbert had decided to play his own game of baseball, deciding not to make use of the pitch.

The runs started to flow so Gilbert was removed and replaced with Sean Boga Lake, but he also conceded four boundaries in his two overs. Howley eventually found his line and length, and in his sixth over held a caught and bowled chance to remove Morton for three.

However, Creigiau skipper Glyn Thomas and Morton had added 77 for the sixth wicket, taking the score to 121.

At this point the Vale skipper decided to introduce himself to the attack and finding something like his old form, got the wicket of the Creigiau captain as Upham held a catch at mid on.

Thomas had batted well, making exactly 50, but his dismissal ended any real hopes Creigiau had. After an eight-over spell, Howley was replaced by Upham, who took a caught and bowled chance in the first over of his new spell.

It was left to the skipper to mop up the tail as firstly Raikes held a catch at first slip, this time not using his teeth, and the last wicket fell as Francis clean bowled the number 10, leaving Creigiau all out for 145.

The Vale bowling figures were Darren Upham 10-3-31-2, Jack Davies 7-1-20-3, Paul Gilbert 2-0-18-0, Sean Boga Lake 2-0-18-0 and Mark Francis 6.2-0-20-3.

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Porthcawl RFC's English challenge

PORTHCAWL RFC have their very own English challenge this weekend as they take on visiting touring side Matson RFC (Gloucestershire) for a pre-season friendly on Saturday, August 6, (12.30pm kick-off).

This will be before the international and both sets of supporters and players will be able to watch the game on television.

Pre-season training is well under way, but all potential players are welcome today (August 4) at 7pm to attend training in order to prepare for this attractive fixture.

For further details, please contact 01656 784242.

Bands help Maesteg man

RICHARD COLLINS and local bands from Maesteg recently organised a fundraiser for Michael Lonergan, who was seriously hurt in a swimming accident in Turkey.

Two hundred people turned out to support Michael and £1,000 was raised.

The event was held at Maesteg Town Hall and once again it was proved what an excellent live music venue it is!

Bands taking part were Station 13, Sam Crow, One Sick Puppy, Grumpy Old Men and Brass Monkeys, some of Maesteg's finest!

Michael's family were in attendance and were "absolutely thrilled" with the support shown by the local community.

At present, Michael is in Rookwood Hospital, Cardiff, and the whole community wish him a speedy recovery.

If anyone would like to donate to the Michael Lonergan appeal, contact Richard Collins at Travella, Maesteg, 01656 733496.

The Kenfig choir singing to people enjoying a cream tea under the canopy.

COMMUNITY NEWS from KENFIG HILL AND PYLE

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Double triumph

KENFIG Hill & District Male Voice Choir and their youth section 'Crescendo', travelled in style last week when they went to Carmarthen to top the bill at the Gwili Railway, Festival of Welsh Music, in an old London double decker bus.

The Gwili Steam Railway had teamed up with a number of talented local musicians, who performed live on three different stages which had been specially erected, the main one being located at the picnic site.

Performances took place at the yard in Llwyfan Cerrig, where they also served afternoon cream teas. Under the baton of their musical director, Philip Juliff and accompanied by Andrew Chinnock, both choirs put in magnificent performances.

The Youth Choir 'Crescendo' also provided soloists Emily Jehu, who sang 'Wishing you were somehow here again' from *Phantom of the Opera* and Lucy Phillips who, with Calley Murray, sang 'Run' made famous by the group Snow Patrol.

The choirs ended a thoroughly enjoyable day by travelling home by steam train and vintage bus.

Talbot Centre

THE Talbot Community Centre is a registered charity owned and run by the community, for the community, and like all other small charities it struggles to generate income to keep going during the present economic climate.

Because of this, companies who used to help have had to tighten their purse strings and can no longer offer support. However, last week when they went along to Bridgend Office Furniture to purchase a much-needed three drawer pedestal cupboard, they were pleasantly surprised by Mr Alan Kenny, who on learning what the Talbot was trying to achieve, for all sections and age groups of the community, said that he would like to help by donating the cupboard to the centre. Cheryl Butcher thanked him and the company for their kind gesture.

Last Thursday evening, members of the Talbot Community Centre met up and went by coach to Cardiff Bay. Following an evening meal, they went on to the Millennium Centre to see that marvellous musical *Grease*.

The performance by the cast was incredible; however, all the talk after the show was about the superb singing of ice skater Robin Cousins who played the part of the Teen Angel.

Everybody enjoyed themselves and began booking the few seats left, for the trip to 'Bridges' in Worcester this October.

For details of events and activities in the Talbot, ring Cheryl on 01656 749754.

St Theodore's

THE Mothers' Union at St Theodore's Church is running a trip starting at 11am on August 10, to the Mumbles, followed by a visit to the Air Ambulance at Swansea Airport.

On the way home, they will be calling into the King Arthur Hotel for afternoon tea. For further details, or to book a seat, ring Christine on 01656 742987.

Wellbeing Centre

ACTIVITIES being held by the Mental Health Matters Wales on August 10 in the Talbot Community Centre, Prince Road, include advocacy advice with Karen Williams from 1pm-5pm, writing with Val (expressive and fun) from 1pm-5pm, Valley & Vale arts and crafts workshop from 2pm-3pm and a talk by Jemma Robinson from Trading Standards (3.30pm-4.30pm).

Bike winner

THE raffle for the BMX Bike, donated to the Mynydd Cynffig Infants School by Lexi Thompson's mother and Keedwell Heavy Haulage, was won by Mathew Leyshon from year-6.

The raffle also raised a magnificent £200, which is being donated to the parents of Elva vos de Mooy. Elva has Lymphoma and the money is to help with her care.

Beat the champ!

ONE of the great sporting events on the calendar in Kenfig Hill, is the great sausage eating championship, taking place on August 19 at the Royal Oak Pub in Kenfig Hill, starting at 7pm – and this year it is in aid of a very worthy cause, The Russell Stanton Fund.

This is the chance for somebody to beat Barrie Morgan, a great champion (who has held the title for the last three years) and get their name on the championship trophy.

If you think that you can eat more sausages in a one hour session than Barrie, then make your challenge. However, all entrants should be looking for sponsorship from supporters by pledging so much for each sausage eaten, or a set amount for entering the contest.

To boost funds, the organisers are not only looking for as many people as possible to challenge Barrie for his crown, they are also looking for contestants to enter the ladies championship. (Last year some of the ladies ate more than the men).

Why not go along, help raise some much needed money for The Russell Stanton Fund, and at the same time enjoy this bizarre competition.

For details on how to enter this competition or make a pledge, call into the Royal Oak or ring Tina on 01656 740031.

KPC Youth

SUMMER activities are already in full swing at KPC Youth in Pyle from Monday to Friday (except Bank Holiday Monday) and is available for all young people, aged 8 plus from throughout Bridgend County.

Opening times will be from 11am-3pm for 8 to 12 year olds and until 5pm for those aged 13 and over.

The centre will also be open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 5.30pm-8pm for 8 to 12 year olds and from 8pm-10pm for those aged over 13. On Tuesday and Thursdays, the centre will be open from 5.30pm-10pm for those aged over 13.

During the summer activities, there will be several art workshops at the centre. These include: August 10 – mosaic workshop in garden; August 16 – make hand moulds and cast in plaster; August 23 – glaze pots and paint hands; and August 30 – screen printing and making stencils to print on T-Shirts etc.

All art workshops run from 1pm-4pm and due to funding, priority will be given to those aged 13 and over.

Other activities this summer include a sponsored walk on August 19, internet safety workshop on August 11 from 11am, a wet and wild day on August 19 (£3 to include a hot dog and drink) and a dance workshop which will be run on a Friday evening for juniors.

Other activities during this summer, where dates and times have to be confirmed are, fishing trips and skate/BMX competitions.

For further details, call 01656 745399/749219.

Fun day

EVERYONE in the village is getting excited about the 'fun day' organised by Pyle Community Council, which is being held on the Kenfig Hill RFC football pitch this Saturday, starting at 1pm.

There will be something to interest everyone from the age of 8 to 80.

Well done to the council for also holding a raffle, with three prizes of £200, £100 and £75 and giving organisations such as the Scouts, churches, craft clubs and small charities in the community the opportunity of selling the tickets and keeping the proceeds to help raise funds their particular cause.

Let us hope that the weather is as kind and a good day is had by all.

SEA FESTIVAL

THE Porthcawl 'Parents in Partnership' group is taking an active part in events on Saturday (August 6) during the Porthcawl Sea Festival.

The group is holding a 'Pirates and Princesses' fancy dress competition at 2pm, and is also running a treasure hunt during the afternoon, starting a 1pm.

To enter, go to the Parents in Partnership stall at Cosy Corner, the Harbour, Porthcawl. For more information, e-mail annmarie@pipsw.org.uk

PUPPIES GO ON PARADE IN A RECORD SHOW...

These glamorous young ladies enjoyed the afternoon.

Rod Wilson with the winning dog and bitch.

Words and pictures by
HEATHER MARCH

A RECORD gathering of members and supporters enjoyed an afternoon at the Glamorgan Kennels for the annual 'Puppy Show', when the judges were Richard Sumner, Master of the Heythrop Hunt, and Michael Little, huntsman of the Berkeley.

New kennel-huntsman, Rod Wilson, showed these young hounds very well. The champion winning dog-hound was *Stanford*, walked by Mark Edwards of Llandow, and the winning bitch was *Stocking*, walked by Jess Cherryman.

Joint Master, Jacky Thomas, gave an interesting commentary on the pedigree and breeding of each hound and the day ended with a splendid tea.

Hounds will parade at the Vale of Glamorgan Show on August 10 and the Hunt Show will be at a new venue at Penllyn on August 21.

Three generations of supporters.

Mark Edwards receives the Cup.

Vale's pointers at Eisteddfod

ROSEMARY BUTLER, the National Assembly Presiding Officer, visited the Wrexham Eisteddfod science pavilion where she is pictured meeting Dr Wynford Bellin of Colwinston, who chairs the 2012 Vale of Glamorgan science committee.

The Presiding Officer was assured that the best of Vale brainpower was being applied to match the success and popularity of the 2011 science pavilion.

Ty Hafan winners

THE following are winning numbers in the Ty Hafan Crackerjackpot lottery draw number D 681.

● **The rollover, which now stands at £500, was not won this week.**

● **£2,000:** 395811.

● **£2,000:** Rollover, no winner.

● **£10:** 173282, 602688, 862055, 842286, 393386, 552948, 434284, 885849, 659477, 540292, 722783, 721842, 483150, 101501, 868722, 653424, 259752, 329118, 877113, 348894.

● **£5:** 460964, 792960, 150807, 323179, 313985, 547646, 879677, 474360, 782621, 782373, 550075, 322075, 302917, 174530, 112316, 807779, 873694, 744591, 998832, 339236, 186205, 827616, 124051, 221637, 152018, 747645, 835921, 172170, 523875, 786606, 240287, 309183, 130863, 875431, 415710, 627465, 381464, 181413, 416788, 738702, 185395, 677952, 877420, 354653, 872630, 662636, 441557, 174898, 725221, 759219, 138487, 570018, 198580, 289583, 493954, 842850, 509709, 256515, 662395.

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'Manufacturer's logo visible on cheek'

19-STONE MAN JUMPED ON HIS VICTIM'S FACE

REPORT by AJ SICLUNA

A VICTIM of violence which erupted outside Penarth Ex-Servicemen's Club, was lucky to be alive after a 19-and-a-half stone, 6ft 4ins man jumped from a wall onto his face, Cardiff Crown Court heard.

Moments later, said prosecutor Matthew Cobb, Darren Grant was seen repeatedly stamping on the head of the unconscious Justin French.

Grant, 33, a lorry driver of Pant-y-Celyn, Llandough, who has recently been living in Yorkshire, was jailed for five years, after being found guilty of causing Mr French grievous bodily harm with intent.

He was also found guilty of assaulting Paul Stowe.

Judge Christopher Llewellyn-Jones told Grant: "I and the jury listened during the trial to a quite horrific account of your behaviour on this night."

Mr French ended up on the pavement, below a wall, motionless, said the judge. Grant then jumped onto his face, after which he stamped on his face a number of times.

A forensic scientist said that in 20 years, he had never seen such clear shoe imprints on the side of a man's face, such as those on Mr French, and also visible on his face was the 'Timberland' logo.

Said the judge: "A witness thought you had actually killed him, which is hardly surprising."

A miracle, said the judge, was that he didn't suffer injuries as serious as anticipated.

The jury reached guilty verdicts after just 40 minutes.

Mr Cobb said the incident occurred late on the night of Saturday, May 8, 2010, outside Penarth Ex-Servicmen's Club in Windsor Road.

Soon after the attack on Mr French, Grant attacked Mr Stowe, who had only tried to remonstrate with him.

Mr French suffered bruising and several nose fractures.

"You may think he is lucky to be alive," said Mr Cobb.

Grant denied jumping off the wall, and said that he tumbled down a step with Mr French and threw one blow.

Grant was said to have previous convictions for driving with excess alcohol, driving while disqualified, and causing criminal damage.

In his closing speech, Mr Cobb described the claims Grant made in his defence as "utter garbage".

Grant's barrister, Kevin Seal, said: "This will be his first custodial sentence.

"There is a lack of previous offending of a violent nature."

CCTV assists arrests

CCTV in the Vale, operated by the Safer Vale Partnership, assisted with eight arrests and one missing person in the week ending July 31.

It contacted the police on 51 occasions. On July 25, one arrest was made concerning possession of cannabis on Arno Road, Barry and on July 27 another was made for alleged possession of an offensive weapon on Holton Road, also in Barry.

Two more arrests were made in Barry on July 28, one involving threats to kill and another for breach of a court order, on Aberaeron Close and Main Street respectively.

On July 29, two arrests were made – one involved disturbing public order and wasting police time on Stanwell Road in Penarth, and the second over an assault on Gladstone Road, Barry.

On July 30, one arrest was made for alleged theft from a motor vehicle, and another concerned an assault on a police officer in Holton Road.

The CCTV operation also helped to locate a missing person at Dunlin Court, Barry, on July 26.

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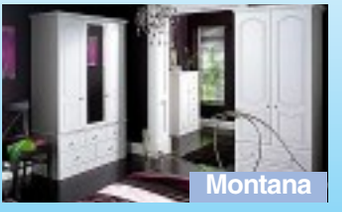
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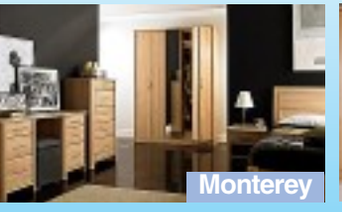
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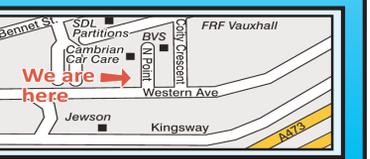

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Out and About with The GEM

WHAT'S ON AND WHERE...

Aviation talk

PENARTH Aviation Society can find out more about the aircraft industry and flying at the next meeting on Friday, August 5.

A panel of four will be taking questions from the floor. Visitors are welcome.

Meetings take place at the Penarth Conservative Club on the first Friday of each month, at 7.45pm.

For further information, telephone 01446 721321.

West End star of the show!

DIRECT from London's West End, Lee Mason stars in the fabulous *Let the Good Times Roll*, at Barry's Memorial Theatre on Saturday, August 6.

The unique live 10-piece production pays a memorable tribute to some of the most popular music of the 50s and 60s, featuring such songs as 'Rock around the clock', 'Teenager in love', 'Be my baby', 'The wonder of you' and 'The Locomotion'.

Within minutes, the 'Time Machine' will transport you back to a bygone age. So put your gladrags on and take a trip down memory lane for an experience you'll never forget!

Curtain up is at 7.30pm. Tickets £15.50, available from the box office on 01446 738622, website www.letthegoodtimesroll.co.uk.

***Footnote**: Lee Mason's brother Perry Fenwick, who plays Billy Mitchell in Eastenders, helped put the show together.*

Fun dog show for charity

MOUNT Pleasant Riding for the Disabled Group is holding a fun dog show at Mount Pleasant Stables, Rhiwceiliog, Pencoed on Sunday, August 7, starting at 1pm.

Classes include: most handsome dog; dog with the most appealing eyes; dog with the waggiest tail; best child handler; dog the judge would most like to take home.

There will be refreshments, and various stalls and games.

For more information, go to www.mount.pleasantrda.co.uk

Scout hall bric-a-brac

A bric-a-brac sale will be held at Cowbridge Scout Hall, behind the sheep market, on Saturday, August 13 at 10.30am – 4pm. LPs, CDs, books (mainly hardback) jigsaws and board games.

Eisteddfod car boot

A CAR boot sale to raise funds for next year's National Eisteddfod in the Vale, will be held this Sunday, August 7, at Llandow Circuit, Llandow at 10.30am – 3pm. £5 per car, plenty of parking. Contact Ros Lewis at 01446 793539 or email rlewis@llantwit.orange home.co.uk.

Garden party

ST JAMES Church, Wick, will hold a garden party on August 13, at 2pm in Green Isha Farm, Wick. Stalls, raffle, cream teas.

VOLUNTEERS from the Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales, are holding an open day at the Lavernock Point Nature Reserve in Penarth on August 14, from 12pm-4.pm.

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A spokesperson said: "We are very much looking forward to performing this G and S favourite in two new venues and meeting friends, old and new in the process.

"Rhoose is an area in which we have not performed before and the prospect of using the new school theatre in Cowbridge is very exciting. It is not too late if anybody wishes to join us for this, as we are always keen to recruit new members in all voices, particularly men.

"This will be a narrated concert, so it does not involve dialogue, costumes, dancing or make-up, as we reserve that for our full production each spring. So if you can sing and want to join a friendly local group then please get in touch."

Full details can be found on the society's website www.cowbridgeaos.org.uk or by phoning the secretary on 01446 713110.

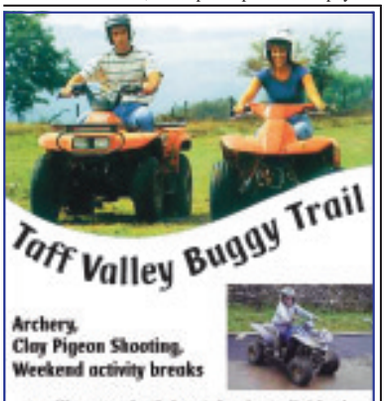
Alternatively, visit the Ystradowen Village Hall on Tuesdays from 7.30pm and ask for Chris, the chairman.

Patronal festival

FRIENDS of the St Lawrence at Lavernock Trust will be opening the listed medieval building on Sunday, August 14 to celebrate the Patronal Festival.

The service is at 3pm-4pm and will be led by the Rev Margaret Stark, honorary chaplain to the Friends.

All are very welcome at the service celebrating the Patronal Festival of Saint Lawrence which will include tributes to the late Dr Chrystal Tilney Davies MA, a member of the Trust and adviser on archives, Diocese of Llandaff.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Captain America makes his mark on the summer

GEM SCREEN TALK

by GARETH JAMIESON

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WHILE DC Comics achieved success with the Christopher Nolan-directed *Batman* films, and a level of success with *Superman Returns*, they pale into comparison with Marvel Comics.

The publisher has seen great success from the releases of *Iron Man* and its sequel, *The Incredible Hulk* and *Thor* – with the next character finally making his way onto the big screen.

In *Captain America,* Chris Evans (no, not that one) plays Steve Rogers, a scrawny kid who is unable to sign up to fight in World War II.

With the help of a doctor, who injects him with a super serum, Rogers becomes a bulky mass of muscle, the perfect tool for America to use in combat. But as Rogers becomes Captain America, the threat from Germany is more than just the Nazis, as Johan Schmidt (Hugo Weaving), who has an alter-ego of his own, plans of wreaking his own carnage on the world...

With the proliferation of super-heroes reaching the big screen, it can't be long before the genre bottoms out. Marvel will be hoping that it will last at least another year as the Captain, and the other Marvel heroes, line up in the hotly-anticipated *The Avengers* next May.

However, based on the evidence of Captain America, there appears to be little creatively wrong with the genre, the film a shining example of taking a comic book character and bringing him to the big screen.

Perhaps it's because of its period setting (set in and around 1942) but it feels different to the likes of *Iron Man* et al, while maintaining the through-line that has made the films so successful.

Drawing in a director such as Joe Johnson helps, of course, the director having made more than his fair share of clunkers (*The Wolfman,* anybody?) but also having form in wartime action block-busters with the under-rated *Rocketeer*.

Thankfully, it's the Johnson of the latter that is on duty here, bringing a pleasing innocence, while maintaining the modern-day spectacle you would expect.

It is visually gorgeous, the wartime feel being amplified by the hyper-real submarines and aircraft on display, and Johnson uses all of the tools to craft a thrilling experience that manages to marry the action to an origin story which manages to avoid the usual pitfalls and move at a pace.

Said script comes from the keyboards of Christopher Markus and Stephen McFeely, who construct a compelling story that moves well and doesn't labour too heavily on the obvious elements of the character, any level of American jingoism if anything downplayed. They also bring the characters to life incredibly well, aided by a very strong cast.

As the titular Captain, Chris Evans is incredibly good, making him likeable but also the actor emphasises the nobility of this smaller man being given the chance to do good, a clear case of great power becoming great responsibility, and Evans delivers with style.

Opposite him Brit Hayley Atwell delivers a strong performance, bringing a ballsiness to the character of Peggy Carter and avoiding the simpering love interest route that afflicted Natalie Portman in *Thor*.

With a degree of verve, the actress is wonderful, while the likes of Tommy Lee Jones, Dominic Cooper and Stanley Tucci are all well suited to their roles, delivering likeable performances.

The only misstep is Hugo Weaving's villain, which is too bland and of the traditional world-conquering variety to let the actor really project his evil, the Captain being left with a foe that doesn't really work that well, although Toby Jones does shine as his accomplice.

If the downbeat conclusion takes the sheen off the film somewhat, you can be comforted to know that is only part of a larger plan which now takes us to next May's *Avengers* movie - and while its a long wait until then, at least *Captain America* is here to bridge the gap!

VERDICT: A pleasingly retro super-hero film, *Captain America* is the perfect lead-in to *The Avengers* yet also works incredibly well on its own.

Strong direction from Joe Johnson and performances, especially Chris Evans and Hayley Atwell, mean that the Captain makes his mark on the summer. *Recommended.*

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *The Rocketeer, Iron Man, Thor.*

PENARTH AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS

Tales of a giant skeleton in a cave linked to King Arthur...

FIFTEEN Penarth and District Ramblers joined Joy for a walk in the Wye Valley, beginning at Christchurch on a lovely summer morning.

Entering Highmeadow Woods, an ancient medieval hunting forest, they followed cool wooded paths, making their way downhill towards the valley bottom. Unfortunately, the leader missed a pathway on the way down, so the journey took a little longer than expected!

Following the track, they reached the Biblins suspension bridge, erected by the Forestry Commission in 1957 high above the Wye River.

The group followed the Wye through woodland below Seven Sisters Rocks and then climbed steeply through Lord's Wood to reach King Arthur's Cave.

Legend says that in 1695 a gigantic skeleton was discovered in the cave by a woman goat herder. The bones were collected and given to a surgeon in Bristol, who promptly went on a sea voyage where they were lost after the boat sank.

In fact, it would appear this cave has no connection with King Arthur, other than speculation and gossip, but in 1817, the cave was partially excavated by the Rev Symond, who found the remains of hyena, lion, brown bear, red deer, giant Irish elk, reindeer and horse, along with flints and pottery items.

Eventually, a narrow lane and footpath through bushes led them to the River Wye ferry crossing, which is operated by the Saracen's Head pub on the eastern bank.

The journey may only be short, but is really enjoyable and the group rejoined dry land to stop for lunch in the pub garden.

After watching the exploits of people on the river and very much refreshed, they headed back along the valley floor, then up a rough path to steps in a sunken lane that led to Symonds Yat Rock, where some of the group went to the log cabin for cooling ice-cream and lollipops, and others headed to the viewpoint on Yat Rock itself.

The rock, situated at 152 metres above the glorious Wye and the beautiful surrounding countryside, is the perfect place to watch Peregrine falcons that nest in the cliffs nearby and also Goshawk and Hobby if you are lucky.

As the temperature rose, all that was left was the one and three-quarter mile journey back through Highmeadow Woods to reach their cars before the journey home after what had been a lovely day.

On August 6, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for a 9-mile hard walk at the Cat's Back and Hay Bluff in the Black Mountains; contact Jeff on 029 2063 7689.

On August 7, meet at 9am at Cogan for an 11-mile moderate walk to the north of Trellech; contact Nick on 01446 420540.

A reminder to all leaders and budding leaders that the programme planning evening will take place at the Lee Hall, Dinas Powys on August 16 and everyone is welcome.

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Surfer Style for Beach and Beyond this Summer

From Bondi Beach to Bridgend - Boardies are still the hottest style

With soaring temperatures set to continue throughout the coming months, South Wales surfers are hopefully getting ready for a summer of sun, sea and sand. But as the familiar swimwear debate between board shorts, trunks and briefs continues to divide men up and down the Gower, McArthurGlen's Bridgend Designer Outlet is championing 'boardies' as this season's must have swimwear style.

McArthurGlen Style Consultant Louise Evans, says, "A popular Aussie fashion item, 'boardies' are the thing to be seen in this summer – from Bondi Beach to Bridgend. Men can be just as self-conscious as women when it comes to flaunting their bodies on the beach; but the longer length and youthful pattern of board shorts make them the perfect choice for surfer dudes of all shapes."

McArthurGlen's Bridgend Designer Outlet offers a large selection of swimwear with savings of up to 60 per cent on brands including Billabong – who have recently opened at the designer outlet – Bench, O'Neill, Saltrock and Lacoste.

Both comfortable and on-trend, boardshorts come in a range of styles with many men choosing to express themselves with bright colours and funky prints to achieve an individual surfer look.

Richard Garratt, Centre Manager at McArthurGlen's Bridgend, says, "McArthurGlen's Bridgend Designer Outlet is located nearby some of the UK's top surfing beaches – during summer weekends the number of visitors to the centre can exceed 25,000 and boardshorts are definitely this season's favourite. The surfer look is popular with men of all ages and is a great choice for the beach and beyond."

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Support Vale Foodbank this Saturday

by TIM CHAPMAN

VALE Foodbank volunteers will be at Morrisons supermarket in Barry this weekend, collecting food items to help people who are in crisis.

The foodbank is a new community-based project that will be operating in the area during the months ahead.

The Vale Foodbank coordinator, Susan Lloyd-Selby, explained: "This Saturday, August 6, volunteers will be at Morrisons from 9.30am to 3.30pm.

"We will be outside the store handing out leaflets with shopping lists. We hope that on the way out, people will donate an item.

"What we need is contributions of dried food and tinned goods.

"The current economic climate means more and more people are struggling to put food on the table, so we really need local citizens to give what they can to help.

"It's not just people on low incomes who are feeling the pinch at the moment. Increased redundancy and fewer jobs are having a real impact on local people.

"We are very grateful for the support we have received from Tony Wade, Morrisons' manager, and our volunteers are looking forward to launching the foodbank."

Food will be stored at Coastlands Family Church and later distributed to people in need. The good news is that volunteers know they already have enough in donations to launch the foodbank next month.

Social services, GPs and charities will help to identify people who need support, and those individuals and families will be able to claim using vouchers.

Susan explained that in the tougher economic climate, with bills soaring, the loss of a job or the late arrival of a benefit cheque can tip people into a crisis.

She said: "For some people, it could be a choice as to whether they can pay their rent or put food on the table."

The initiative has already generated a lot of local enthusiasm, with 10 Vale schools already pledging their Harvest Festival collections in October to the foodbank.

The Vale Foodbank is a registered charity and part of a nationwide franchise inspired by The Trussell Trust, a Christian-based organisation committed to community-based projects.

Susan said: "There are now more than 100 foodbanks nationwide. Two years ago, they helped 41,000 people; last year they helped 61,500 people."

Supermarket collections are one of the main ways that the foodbank will be stocked, but volunteers are also willing to pick up non-perishable foods from those willing to donate.

The contact details are: 01446 410782; or e-mail: slloydselby@yahoo.com. A website will be set up shortly.

Dyspraxia group requires leaders

VALE Dyspraxia Support Group/Dyspraxia Cymru, has issued an appeal for new leaders, as the current voluntary group leaders and voluntary youth coordinator plan to move out of the area.

"A new leadership could bring fresh ideas and the next generation of young people is needed to continue to raise awareness of the condition," a spokesperson said.

Activities over the past seven years have included a bilingual helpline, website; monthly meetings, often with an invited speaker; social activities; bilingual leaflets, factsheets, a lending library of books, and resources and fundraising.

Anyone interested in helping young people with dyspraxia and its associated conditions, such as dyslexia and ADHD, to reach their full potential, can contact the group on ***valedyspraxia@aol.com*** *or 01446 738945.*

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PENDOYLAN Community Council meeting, August 11, Pendoylan School, 7.45pm.
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Rydym yn falch iawn o bob un ohonoch, roeddech yn gredyd i Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Baruc. Diolch o galon i Mr Kenyon am drefnu'r digwyddiad, ac i rieni a staff am gefnogi.

ON July 10, pupils from Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Baruc had the amazing experience of taking part in an Aquathlon competition, a part of Urdd Gobaith Cymru's Cardiff Games.

The competition was held in Cardiff at Maindy's leisure centre, and children from schools across the Vale and Cardiff came there to compete.

Aquathlon is similar to a triathlon competition, but without the bicycle leg, and this was a massive challenge for the pupils.

Morgan Long, Alfie Davies, Megan Roberts and Saul Connelly represented years 5 and 6.

Firstly they swam 150m, before running 1.5km.

Sophie Thomas, Olivia Townsend, Joel Clarke, Cian Davies represented years 3 and 4 and they swam 100m before running 1km around the track.

The standard of competitors was extremely high in every category, so we were very pleased to see Olivia receiving third prize in the years 3-4 category and also Cian – third in the boys year-3-4 category.

Then we saw a very close end to the years-5 - 6 boys' race, with Saul coming second and Alfie winning the race.

We are very proud of all the children who took part, as they all did their best, and were a credit to the school. A heartfelt 'thank you' to Mr Kenyon, for organising for the children to take part and to the teachers and parents for supporting.

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WELL DONE, STANWELL!

CONGRATULATIONS to all those who took part in year-8 at Stanwell School's recent brilliant production of *Bugsy Malone*.

The school must be very proud of its talented actors, musicians and dedicated teachers who put in so much time and effort to produce such a professional show. Well done. Fan-tas-tic!

J Griffiths, Penarth

Swish for charity

BARRY women are invited to trade in some favourite sartorial items – and raise cash for a breast cancer charity at the same time.

Local resident, Aimee Nicholls, is holding a 'swishing party' – an event becoming more popular in these cash-strapped days.

Aimee explained: "A 'swishing party' is basically a clothes swap, where you buy a ticket in advance for £5

"Everyone must bring at least three items of quality clothing, accessories or shoes (clothes should be washed and ironed)" She continued: "No item may be claimed before the swish opens, but as soon as the swish is declared open, everyone may take what they want."

The event, which is raising money for Breast Cancer Care, is for ladies only and takes place on Thursday, September 8, from 7:30pm at Barry Dock Conservative Club, Station Street, Barry.

Aimee added: "The pub has kindly let us have the room for free, so all the money raised will be donated to Breast Cancer Care. You will be able to purchase drinks from the bar."

A closer look at the people in the Market Town of Maesteg

THE QUEEN OF THE VALLEYS RETAINS A HOMELY TOUCH

MAESTEG was known in years gone by as the Queen of the Valleys – a title that many still feel is more than justified.

Unlike neighbouring valleys, Maesteg is a basin which enabled the town centre to develop over a wider area.

The valley floor is very extensive and the mountain slopes are sufficiently distant to completely eradicate any sense of being hemmed in.

The town's wealth in the heyday of the industrial revolution is obvious in the quality of the many buildings in the town centre.

Pride of place goes to the Town Hall, which was built by the miners in the 1880s and which has remained a focal point for the valley's cultural and social life ever since.

But that is only one of a cluster of listed buildings in the centre. These include North's Library, which was also built by the miners as a library, and remained in use until the old Glamorgan County Council, in its wisdom, decided that it would be more appropriate to put the library in a flat roofed building at the back, which is much too small for the needs of the town.

The council offices in Talbot Street have just been restored at a cost of more than £200,000 and we also have North's Offices, which was the HQ of the coal mining company North's Navigation – plus St David's Church and the Art Déco style post office.

All of these buildings give Maesteg a unique flavour – coupled with the Edwardian and late Victorian shops that abound in the town's two main streets.

Sadly, in recent years, the outdoor market has declined, thanks to a disastrous re-design undertaken by the former Ogwr Borough Council in the 1990s, which saw the construction of hideous metal-fronted stalls and a metal canopy.

All of this is now being swept away in a new revamp, again funded by the taxpayer, which (hopefully) this time will take account of what the traders and customers actually want. *Time will tell.*

The town's indoor market is beneath the Town Hall and some recent new arrivals have breathed new life back into this institution.

Although it is not being revamped itself, improvements to the outdoor market will undoubtedly revitalise this institution.

Maesteg, like many other town centres, has suffered in recent years from the loss of national chains like Woolworth's and Ethel Austin, but there have also been some new arrivals – notably Peacock's, which moved into the former Woolworth's store.

The town still has a number of successful chain stores like Argos, Wilkinson, Iceland and Aldi which are located in the town centre and help to draw people to the town.

Asda is the latest arrival, after taking over the former Somerfield store, and this is also within a stone's throw of the town centre, boosting the number of people coming in to town.

The town's main asset remains the free car park in Llynfi Road and a similar car park at the Asda store.

But perhaps Maesteg's greatest asset is its homely and friendly atmosphere. It's a town where most people know each other, where shopkeepers know their customers, and where there's a warm welcome for visitors.

The next few years may be tough, but the indomitable community spirit of the Llynfi Valley will, hopefully, allow the town centre to survive and carry on fulfilling the important social function of giving local people somewhere to shop, where they can meet their friends and interact with each other.

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Meet the people!

Volunteers Jan Brady and Nicola Ellis from Maesteg Animal Welfare.

Richard David (Snr) former publican, with Betty Carter. The Old House was Betty's birthplace and now her 'home from home' as a time-served regular. The inn is now run by 'Little' Richard – he was camera shy!

Marcelle Humphreys and Liz (Buffy) Langdon from Sew & Sew.

'Captured on camera' – Kevin and Tracy Priddy from Kobblers Ltd.

Oh, 'Big' Richard's not happy... Meanwhile, step-granddaughter, Naomi Walsh, continues to serve the thirsty customers at their family-run hostelry – The Old House.

Ashley Morgan from The Daily News.

21 – AGAIN!

Happy birthday! (August 4) Richard Collins from Travella.

Owain Roberts with his grandparents Margaret and Desmond Davies – regulars at The Old House Inn. Desmond is renowned for his local knowledge and history of the area.

Steve Harris from Camarthenshire Dairy.

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KEEPING A THRIVING BUSINESS IN THE FAMILY

Gareth and Pam from The Card Shop.

IN 1986, Bill and Pam Hooper, together with their son Gareth, took over an existing card shop business.

Sadly, Bill passed away in 2004 and now Gareth is the next generation in charge.

The family have risen to the challenge from national chain stores – to prove that family values really do stand the test!

They pride themselves on their personal service, knowing the vast number of the customers by their Christian names.

Their motto is always '*Service with a Smile*', and their reward is a staunch and loyal customer base.

On behalf of his family (past and present) Gareth wishes to extend sincere gratitude to all of their wonderful staff and customers.

Here's to the next 25 years!

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Soulless shopping malls where nobody knows anyone can never replace the intimacy and friendliness of places like Maesteg.

It would be a tragedy if the town went into terminal decline, leading to boarded up shops. It's up to everyone who cares about Maesteg to ensure that does not happen by shopping there and not taking all their money to the supermarkets who want it all.

Small shopkeepers are the backbone of communities like Maesteg and it's very much a case of use the town centre or lose it.

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MAESTEG OUTDOOR MARKET

Historic anniversary marks coming of the railway to Maesteg

THE anniversary of the coming of the railways to Maesteg takes place next Wednesday – 150 years to the day since the Maesteg line first opened.

A special ceremony is taking place, jointly organised by the Institute of Civil Engineers and the Llynfi Valley Historical Society, with support from Maesteg Town Council.

A special plaque, commissioned by the Institute, will be unveiled at Maesteg railway station. The ceremony at 12.15pm will be attended by officers of the Institute, which is placing plaques all around the country to mark the coming of the railways to towns and cities.

They will be welcomed by Maesteg mayor Coun Gareth Howells and the group will then go back to the council offices, where an exhibition featuring the work of Isambard Kingdom Brunel, who was involved with the development of the Maesteg line, is taking place.

It opens next Monday, August 8, and will be open to the public for the week.

Neil Perry, of the historical society, said that the plaque will be permanently placed at the railway station to mark the opening of the line in 1861.

Also present at the ceremony will be the manager of Asda, whose store is built on what was the original railway's station site, and managers from Arriva Trains who now operate the passenger trains along the line.

The Maesteg line was closed to passengers in 1970, but remained in use taking coal out of the valley, until the late 1980s. By this time, moves were afoot to reintroduce passenger trains and the service was relaunched in the autumn of 1992.

Although the coming of the railway was an important milestone in the industrial development of the Llynfi Valley, it was not the first link between the town and the outside world.

In 1828, the Duffryn Llynfi to Porthcawl horse-drawn tram road was opened which took finished iron products from the Maesteg and Llynfi iron works down to Porthcawl, where they were exported by ship from the harbour.

The tram road ran down the valley from the old Spelter site, near Caerau square, down to Tondu, where it ran along the back of Cefn Cribwr and then into Kenfig Hill. before turning down into Porthcawl.

In 1855, an Act of Parliament, was passed, which turned it into a railway operated by steam locomotives. The route, however, took the railway from Caerau down to Tondu and then down to Bridgend, where it connected to the GWR main south Wales line.

The old tram road from Tondu to Porthcawl was abandoned and became derelict.

From then on, industrialisation developed apace in Maesteg, with coal eventually replacing iron as the town's main industry.

Maesteg remained an important coal town until 1985, when the last pit – St John's – was closed.

However, while there may no longer be coal trains running along the track, the passenger service has been successful and there are plans to double the number of trains next year – with two an hour instead of one.

That can only happen when a passing loop is built so that two trains can operate within the single track system – one will to wait in the loop for the other to pass.

Local lifeboat rescues people cut off by tide

TWO people cut off by tides at Nash Point were rescued by lifeboat volunteers in different incidents on the same evening.

The RNLI's Porthcawl Lifeboat was sent to rescue someone cut off by the tide below the cliffs near Nash Point at 7.51pm on Tuesday, August 2.

On its way back to the station, it was diverted back to another person in a similar situation and location.

The Swansea Coastguard received a 999 call from the first person when he realised that he was cut off and could not escape the beach due to the sheer cliffs in that area.

Porthcawl's helmsman Paul Eastment said: "Due to the rocky beach and the swell we decided to launch our 'X' boat that we carry for such situations.

"Two crew members were able to row ashore and picked up the casualty.

"He was brought out through the surf and landed aboard the Atlantic 85 inshore lifeboat.

"In the meantime, Atlantic College's lifeboat had been launched, and the casualty was transferred to them to be put ashore at the college slipway.

"His condition was 'well' and no medical assistance was required.

"We were then returning to Porthcawl when Swansea Coastguard received a further 999 call from a 54-year-old man – again cut off near Nash Point by one of the largest tides of the year.

"We put crew members Jess Canton and Etienne Cronje ashore in the 'X' boat. They were able to recover the casualty and we returned him to Porthcawl Lifeboat Station."

Lifeboat operations manager, Philip Missen, said: "Both rescues had a positive outcome thanks to the prompt actions of the crew.

"The second casualty, who was brought back to Porthcawl. required medical treatment from paramedics for hypothermia.

"He was able to return to his home in Barry around midnight."

POETRY NIGHT

THE 'Poems and Pints' evening scheduled for tonight (Thursday) as part of the Porthcawl Sea Festival has had to change venue.

It is now due to start at 7pm in the offices of Sustainable Wales, at 41, John Street, Porthcawl. Telephone 01656 783405 for more information.

TWO CADETS HONOURED

Flt Sgt Megan Hamblin and Sgt Carl Chaplin with Dr Peter Beck.

AIR Cadets Megan Hamblin and Carl Chaplin of 372 (Barry) Squadron, recently attended an awards ceremony to be appointed as the Lord Lieutenant's Cadets for South Glamorgan during 2011.

They will undertake a busy 12 months assisting the Lord Lieutenant, Dr Peter Beck, to carry out his many official engagements.

Throughout the year, Megan and Carl will meet members of the royal family, politicians and many influential members of the community. They were selected from more than 900 Air Cadets in south Wales for their appointment.

Megan and Carl were congratulated by Squadron Leader Bob Timothy, the acting Wing Commanding Officer, who said: "Megan and Carl are exceptional Cadets who fully deserve their appointment. I hope they enjoy their year in this important role."

Megan and Carl follow in the footsteps of many Cadets from Barry Squadron over the last 21 years who were awarded this prestigious role; including Jason Horton, Chaz Graham, Dave Provis, Jenny Hunt, Simon Walker and Louise Claypole, Caroline Louise Bradley and Sian Davies.

Both Megan and Carl have had an action-packed time at 372 Squadron during their five years. Both have flown in military aircraft, gained their marksman awards, attended camps at RAF stations, undertaken Duke of Edinburgh expeditions and are keen members of the Squadron band.

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 (Barry) Squadron has vacancies for boys and girls between 13-18 years old; parading on Mondays and Wednesdays (7pm-9.30pm) behind Adam's Funeral Parlour. Phone the Squadron on (01446) 747734, or email oc.372@aircadets.org for more information.

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END-OF-TERM NEWS ROUND-UP FROM BARRY COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

Students prepare for life in the workplace

BARRY Comprehensive School's pupils spent the final two weeks of term looking ahead to the opportunities awaiting them in the workplace.

The school's 'work-related learning week' saw pupils working towards the British Safety Council's entry level hazard awareness qualification, engaging in a mentoring and coaching seminar, and looking into options after year-11 with a talk by Careers Wales.

A new feature this year was a careers fair, where pupils from year-9 to year-13 spent July 12 exploring the opportunities available to them. They came away with bags full of information and ideas.

More than 30 exhibitors attended, covering sectors – such as higher and further education, public service, retail, catering, as well as engineering and construction.

With such a varied array of exhibitors, students were able to get first hand information and a better awareness of the choices on offer in and around the Vale.

Brought together by Mr Rees, with help from Careers Wales, the event was very successful with pupils commenting: "It was great to see so many different companies in our school" and "I didn't realise that there were so many different jobs for me".

The headteacher, Mr Swallow, commented;: "Pupils genuinely gained so much from today. They were very positive about the experience and it is clear that they have been motivated to work harder over the coming months to gain the qualifications they need."

The week ended with an inspiring *Apprentice*-style task for year-10.

This year's challenge was to produce a new aftershave brand, complete with marketing ideas.

Year-10 really got into the spirit of the competition, trying their hardest to out-do their friends.

Following their week of preparation, our intrepid year-10 students began their work experience placements on July 18.

It can be a daunting experience for students, mixing with adults in the working world for the first time and feeling pressure to demonstrate that they are mature and responsible and have the necessary skills to succeed.

As a school, we are proud of our students and are always pleased to receive positive reports on their conduct.

This year has been particularly successful, with many of our boys having very good experiences.

It is always difficult to name individuals, but there are several boys who have had a particularly good week.

Mathew David was hugely complimented on his work at the Garden Centre Group, St. Mellons.

He was given the opportunity of achieving food hygiene certificates and health and safety certificates.

Ryan Andrews was very successful at the Vale Food Service and has already been offered part-time work.

David Gent was described as one of the best students High Street School has worked with, and Myles German demonstrated an affinity with exotic animals after his experience in the interestingly named, 'Bite Me!'

A special thanks to all the employers and businesses who volunteered their time and expertise to help our students. **AC**

ABOVE: David Gent with students at High Street School.

Great career opportunities were on offer with the Air Force.

ABOVE: Young engineers at British Airways.

Councillors' surgery

LABOUR councillors for Castleland ward, Chris Elmore, Pamela Drake and Karl Kuhnell, will be holding their regular monthly advice surgery on Saturday, August 6, between 10.30am and 12pm at the Drop-In Centre, No 3 Dunlin Court, Thompson Street Estate, Barry.

No apppointment is needed. Contact Coun Chris Elmore on 07867 506 116, or 01446 401595.

Play Rangers

VALE Play Rangers will be out and about during the summer holidays, providing free activities for children and young people in the area.

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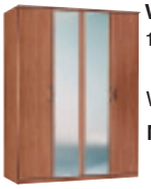
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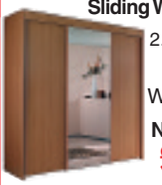
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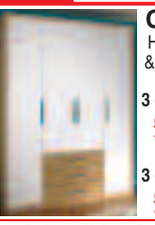
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VALE OF GLAMORGAN AGRICULTURAL SHOW

Wednesday 10th August - FONMON CASTLE PARK

A message from the Show President

'Show is the highlight of summer'

Coun Jeffrey James.

WHAT a pleasant surprise it was to have been invited to be President of the Vale of Glamorgan Agricultural Society for this year.

It is, of course, a great honour and I intend to take a leading role in this year's Vale of Glamorgan Show.

I have witnessed the enormous amount of work that has gone into planning for the show.

It promises to be the best yet – so please ensure you come and join me on Wednesday, August 10 at its regular home at Fonmon.

I have attended many Vale Shows over the years and it has been amazing to see them continue to grow in size and importance.

The Show is now the highlight of the Vale summer and, of course, it represents the very best of the farming excellence we have in this part of Wales.

However, it is not just an agricultural showcase, but represents a wide range of interests – from horticulture to horses, from bees to bulls, food and beverage – and such a range of trade stands that it is a shopper's delight.

It attracts entrants and visitors from all over Wales and even further afield, but it is important that people in the Vale come and support us and, most importantly, enjoy a great day out.

I know that buses have been laid on by the Vale of Glamorgan Council from various parts of the Vale, to enable as many as you as possible to attend and enjoy all that is on offer.

The Show represents all that is good in the Vale and I look forward to seeing you on August 10.

Coun JEFFREY JAMES, OStJ
(President, Vale of Glamorgan Agricultural Society)

CATTLE, SHEEP, PIGS, BEES AND DOGS...

What a Show we have in store at Fonmon this year!

WITH so much happening at the show this year, it is difficult to know where to start...there will be cattle, sheep, pigs, chickens, horses, falcons, bees, and a KC registered dog show.

There is a horticultural show, craft fair, home produce show, shopping mall, food hall, and more than 250 other trade stands.

The society is delighted that Ceri Davies is coming along to demonstrate his skill at sheep shearing – the wool that he shears will be used by the Tawe Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers to demonstrate their craft and to promote the use of this wonderful natural product.

They will be situated next to the agricultural marquee, which will house chickens and pet lambs – as well as Dolly the wooden cow for children to try their hand at milking!

Local farmers will be on hand to answer questions on 'Farming in the Vale'.

Mr and Mrs Griffin are hoping that they will have a good entry in the horticultural section – there are classes for both amateur and professional gardener, so why not have a go?

Home produce secretary, Janet Lewis, is also still taking entries for cookery, floral and children's classes.

The show starts at 8.30am with the showing classes, which culminate in the main ring at 3pm and the grand parade of prize-winning animals.

Back by popular demand this year are the White Helmet motorcycle display team. They will be roaring into action at 4pm.

The White Helmets have been performing for 81 years and are recognised by many as the most accomplished motorcycle display team in the world.

The South Wales Police Dogs will be demonstrating the operational use of police dogs in a light-hearted and entertaining manner at 4.45pm, followed by an exciting six-bar show jumping competition and finally, to end the day, hair raising and very entertaining hunt scurry.

Chairman, Robert Llewellyn of Great House, Farm, Penllyn, said: "This really does promise to be an excellent show.

"We have almost sold out of trade space and entries in the horse classes are very good – but, unfortunately, the dairy cow entry is down due to TB. However, there are plenty of beef cattle and sheep."

We are delighted to welcome the beekeepers back with their wonderful bee tent.

Members of the public are encouraged to get dressed up in a professional bee suit and see a hive of honey bees being opened inside a bee-proof tent.

As long as the weather is warm and not windy, you will have the chance to see the queen bee.

It's a very good way to see how a beehive works.

The society is delighted that the Vale Council will be bringing along their marquee full of entertainment and information.

The society is very grateful to the council, who have again laid on buses to transport people from various parts of the Vale to the show.

(Information can be had by telephoning Caring coaches on 01446 421117).

If that isn't enough to entertain the children, there will also be a fairground Punch and Judy shows, circus workshops, laser clays and archery – not forgetting Jeff with the road train, to transport you all from one end of the field to the other.

The Vale Show is a great day out for all the family, so come and join us at Fonmon on August 10.

For further information, telephone 01446 710099, or look at the website www.vale-ofglamorganshow.co.uk to view schedules.

NICOLA GIBSON
(General secretary of the Vale Show)

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Children swarm to beekeeping!

ABOVE: Getting a real 'buzz'...

ONCE again, Swansea and District Beekeepers are delighted to be invited to the Vale Show; it will be our third attendance and we call ourselves The Swansea Bee Experience.

Our display has become very popular. We attend quite a number of agricultural shows.

Our main problem is having to disappoint show organisers, as we need a lot of volunteers on the day, assisting people into their bee suits and erecting our display.

Bees and beekeeping have been through a bad patch over the past couple of years, and our objective is to encourage more people to take up beekeeping and to describe some of our problems.

Our display has been a real success with youngsters. We have seen children as young as four being dressed in bee suits and handling frames of bees.

In the six years our display has been running, no person has been stung (*apart from a wasp sting last year*).

In 2009, we saw 114 people through our display. In 2010, 112 people passed through, and all said they enjoyed the experience.

We are looking forward to this year's Show and hope for a fine day.

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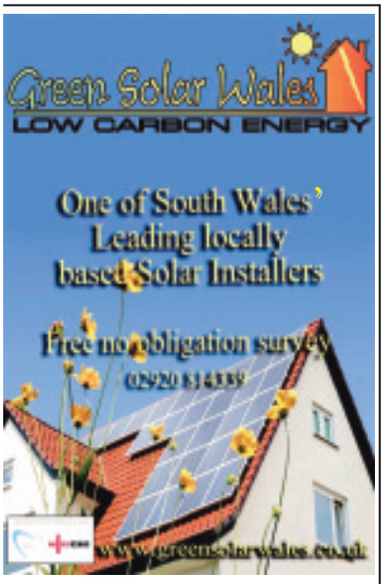
The team originated from despatch riders who, in 1927, were brought together to perform a display of skilled horsemanship and motorcycle riding for the public in Yorkshire.

The horses were retired in 1936, as the whole army became mechanised, and so they began performing displays solely on their motorcycle riding skills.

The team will have a stand at the show which will be open for the public to view the bikes and see their merchandise.

They will be roaring into the main ring on show day at 4pm to thrill and entertain us all.

The White Helmets demonstrate their balancing skills.



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Long-serving horticulturalists are the mainstay of display!

IT is 25 years since Terry Griffin took over the mantle as chairman of the horticultural section for the Vale of Glamorgan Agricultural Society.

Maureen, his wife, was already on the committee when a meeting was called in the house of Mrs March (Heather's mother-in-law) in Llanmaes.

At the time, Mr Mervyn Thomas of Dros y Mor farm was the chairman of the society and everyone appeared to be resigning from the horticultural section after many years of service.

Terry just happened to take Maureen to the meeting and was sitting at the back – when he offered to help Mervyn out and take on the chairman of the horticultural section job for a year.

Each year afterwards, when Mervyn saw Terry at the show, he would encourage him by saying *"Keep going, boy!"* .

Maureen has been the horticultural section secretary since Terry became chairman.

The horticultural committee has dwindled over the years and is now down to just three, David Butt being the other one, though he is only able to help out at showtime.

Monty Price, another long-serving member, retired two years ago. However, Terry says as long as he can count on his friends to help out at showtime, they can manage.

Thank goodness for Tom Mitchell, who does so much of the heavy work at showtime. Happily, he has agreed to join them as vice-chairman this year.

Terry is a keen member of the Cowbridge Male Voice Choir and he is able to draw on help from his many friends there – including Geraint Hopkins, one of the horticultural section stewards.

Maureen said: "After 25 years in the job, the night before the show in the horticultural marquee is like a family gathering."

They would both like to retire, but enjoy the show immensely. They have met so many wonderful and extremely capable people over their time in office.

This year, the society is delighted that Terry and Maureen have agreed to be vice-presidents.

Each year they find that entries are difficult to attract and very few youngsters seem to be interested in showing flowers or vegetables.

However, Terry said: "The standard of vegetables shown in the 2010 show was excellent, proving that the 'grow your own produce' idea is very successful."

They do try to put on new classes to attract people and have found that the collaret dahlia classes are now very popular with growers.

Maureen hopes that there will be an abundance of floral exhibits at the show this year.

Terry is trying to encourage people to exhibit for the first time. If you grow flowers or veg, why not take the plunge and enter some novice classes and prove that you, too, can win prizes?

For schedules and further information, telephone Maureen on 01446 711282.

Maureen and Terry Griffin.

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THE 2011 Vale Show is almost here, and the Cardiff Airport marquee of home produce, floral crafts and children's competitions,will again have many inviting entries for the public to view.

Our schedule is varied, with many classes for people to enter.

This year, we have introduced in our preserve class, a jar of set honey, hoping to attract local beekeepers to support us.

In the cookery section, why not try the scrumptious apricot and banana loaf? For the male entrants this year, why not enter five jam tarts?

Flower arrangements are always very colourful, as are all the crafts and art entries.

The children's classes range up to 16 years.

The primary schools entering this year in the handwriting section are Rhws Primary School and St Illtyd Primary School.

The Chairman's Cup competition is a selection of five items of cookery titled 'Afternoon Tea'.

Our marquee will be open to the public at 12.30pm, after the judging has taken place.

Schedules are available from the secretary on 01443 225202.

JANET LEWIS
(Hon secretary)

Shearing and spinning new at Show for 2011

MEMBERS of the Tawe Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers are attending the Vale Show this year, to share with as many people as possible their traditional crafts.

To complete the demonstration, the society is delighted that Ceri Davies, last seen shearing on the BBC coverage of the Royal Welsh Show, has agreed to come along to shear a sheep every half an hour or so.

The wool from these sheep will then be used to eventually produce a woolly jumper!

Ceri will bring along his shearing kit and a local farmer, Christopher Edwards, has kindly offered to bring a few lambs for him to shear.

Ceri and members of the guild will be on hand to answer any questions about the process.

Local farmers would like to promote the quality and use of Welsh wool, a product that has sadly been overtaken by cheap, synthetic materials.

It now costs nearly as much to shear a sheep, a process necessary for animal welfare, as the price a farmer is paid for its wool.

Members of the Tawe Guild are keen to inspire people of all ages to try their crafts for themselves.

To help with this, they have been assisted by a grant from the Lottery Heritage Fund.

'KEEP ELDERLY IN MIND...'

Care expert urges

LOOKING out for elderly neighbours shouldn't be reserved for winter months, according to Huw Owen, director of the care at home provider, Bluebird Care.

As temperatures soar, summer can be as much of a challenge for the elderly with heat stress, exhaustion and heat stroke posing serious risks.

"We're reminded to check on our neighbours when the weather is cold, but the elderly are vulnerable at other times, too," Mr Owen said.

Figures suggest that three in five women and around 36 per cent of men in Great Britain aged 75 and over, live alone.

"I know from the work Bluebird Care does in Cardiff and the Vale that elderly people want to carry on living in their own homes, and rightly so.

"The flipside can be loneliness and difficulties with everyday tasks, as well as health issues.

"Obviously, there are varying degrees, but sometimes all an elderly neighbour needs is to see a friendly face and, above all, to know there's someone nearby they can call on," Mr Owen concluded.

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Rugby stars 'pumped' to Show!

VISITORS to the Vale Show will have a chance to spend time with some of Wales' best-known rugby stars.

Ospreys and Wales star Shane Williams and former Wales and Scarlets player Dafydd Jones will be on hand to help independent oil distribution company, Oil 4 Wales, at its stand at the Show.

Since launching in September 2010, Oil 4 Wales has developed strong links with the agricultural community in the Vale, supplying red diesel, gas oil and kerosene to a range of farms, small holdings and farm shops in the area.

Managing director, Colin Owens, said: "Agricultural events, such as the Vale Show, are a great opportunity for us to get out and about and meet the farming community, which we work so closely with.

"It is through events like this that we get vital feedback about what our customers are looking for, and this gives us the chance to develop services to help make their lives easier.

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After much searching, we will have a willow basket maker from north Wales.

Clare Jenkins from Ogmore, will have her colourful range of cushions all made from genuine Welsh blankets, and Glenda Morgan from the Mumbles, will be exhibiting and selling her Welsh wool knitted garments.

These are just a few from the range of exhibits, which will also include ceramics, various types of textiles, woodwork, pewter ware, jewellery, clocks, superb wildlife photography etc.

A must for the ladies will be Tina Drake's stand 'The Life of the Bee'. Tina will be displaying her lovely facial and hand creams and various types of honey.

The craft marquee will be open from 9.30am until 6pm.

ANNE ARNOTT

Pets warning

THE organisers of the Vale Show are keen to remind visitors of the dangers of leaving unattended dogs locked in cars.

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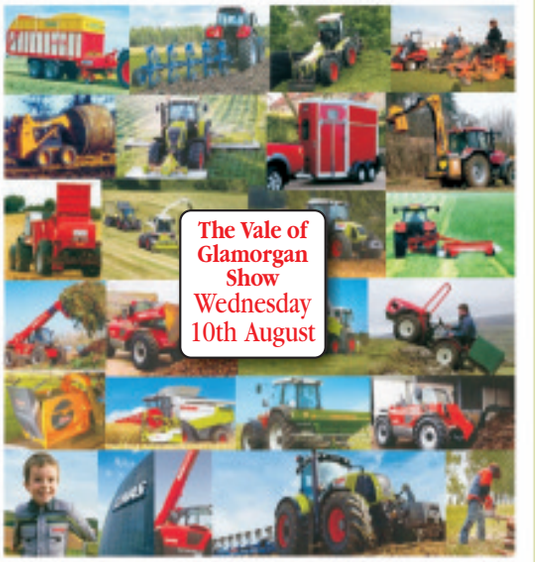

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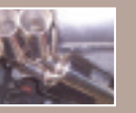

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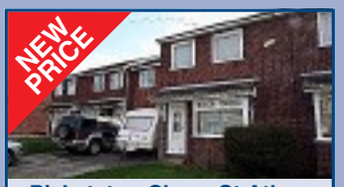

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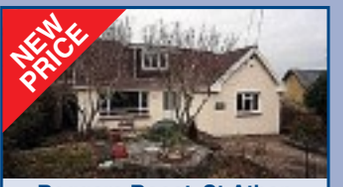

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Family flowers only may be sent to the Funeral Home, donations in lieu if desired the Stroke Association c/o J James, 11 Fonmon Road, Rhoose, CF62 3DZ.

MANGAT
Baldev Singh

The family would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their sympathy shown to them at this sad time. A special thanks to the doctors and nurses that cared for Baldev during his illness.

BURNETT
Percy

Nancy and Marilyn wish to thank all the family and friends, and all who attended Percy's funeral on July 15.

For the kind messages, cards and donations to the British Heart Foundation and for the wonderful support and kindness shown by so many at this sad time.

SHERRARD
Martin George (Sherry)

Suddenly but peacefully at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, on Tuesday July 19, 2011, aged 86 years.

Beloved husband of Mary, father of David and father-in-law of Lesley, and a loving grandfather to Cristina and Michael.

The funeral service will take place at 11.30am on Friday August 5 at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend. Family flowers only, donations in lieu of flowers if desired can be made to a charity of your choice. All enquiries to Green Willow Funerals, 33 St Isan Road, Health, Cardiff CF14 4LU. Tel: 02920 755555.

50TH BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
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KEVIN JOHN POOL

Hope you have a lovely 50th birthday, Kev, with all your loved ones.
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I've lost a lovely son,
I was so proud to call mine.

Always think of you, Kev.
God bless, love your Mum and Dad in Portsmouth XXXX

Congratulations

Gary Mills

Many congratulations on receiving a HNC in Building Services Engineering (HVAC Electrical) from University of Glamorgan.

Birthdays

Jacques Stephan Vanderwarker

Happy 7th Birthday on August 3rd.
Love you everything, Mammy XXXX
and lots of love and hugs from Nana, Papa and Unc (Uncle Stephen). XXXXX

Steve Vanderwarker

Happy 65th Birthday PaPa on August 7th

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Anita Egan

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END-OF-TERM NEWS FROM YSGOL BRO MORGANNWG

A busy end of year sees pupils travelling to far-flung places

PUPILS from Ysgol Bro Morgannwg travelled far and wide during the latter half of the summer term.

Year-9 pupils took part in the second leg of the exchange with Leininger Gymnasium in June, and weeks later around 70 of them travelled to north Wales to the annual residential course at Glanllyn.

Year-10 pupils completed their Duke of Edinburgh bronze expedition in the Brecon Beacons.

ABOVE: Year-9 pupils who went on the exchange trip.

RIGHT: End of term activities included water fights!

Well done!

THE school congratulates Steffan Jones, who has represented Wales in a seven-a-side rugby tournament in Romania.

Steffan was talent spotted playing for the school in the recent Welsh Games. The 7-a-side rugby team did fantastically to reach the semi final, and the school's athletes also enjoyed the experience of taking part in these inaugural games.

Lois is a top spelling bee

ANOTHER pupil to be congratulated is Lois Aled (year-7), who came fourth in a nationwide spelling competition organised by CILT and Routes into Languages.

She reached an amazing standard of spelling in a tight and tense final, held recently at the National Museum, Cardiff.

'Working with Others'

IN a new initiative to credit the 'Welsh Bacc' pupils with the skill of 'Working with Others', year-12 pupils co-operated to arrange activities for a morning spent in all our feeder primary schools.

It was a resounding success, with older and younger pupils enjoying themselves thoroughly.

Eisteddfod Success

IN Swansea, the junior dramatic presentation and Georgina Griggs (musical solo) won first prize and Megan Morris (harp solo) was awarded second place, along with the prize for most promising harpist.

For the first time ever, pupils triumphed in creative writing competitions, with Megan Thomason winning the year-9 poetry competition and Jacob Ellis winning the first prize in the year-12 and year-13 poetry competition.

Final curtain

THE last week of term saw two different projects taking place.

The drama and English departments worked with year-7 pupils to stage an amazing production of *Midsummer Night's Dream* on the Monday, and on Wednesday the whole school took part in a large variety of activities.

Many thanks to Ms Cari Ormerod for co-ordinating the whole day and to the staff for their dedication.

MoD teams deliver a 'Knockout'

ABOVE: Here come the girls..!

THREE teams from MoD St Athan entered the 'Ty Hafan – It's a Knockout Challenge' recently to try to retain the championship title for the second year running.

Although the weather stayed dry, everyone who took part got decidedly wet as they did battle with the likes of the bungee mat, the squeezies and tubes full of foam.

The MoD was represented by 'Here come the Girls', Hangover Part 3 and The Posers.

All the teams battled hard throughout the day, but the proud winners to finally topple last year's champions and take the coveted title of It's a Knockout Champions 2011 were the Old Pens from Penarth.

The event was again kindly sponsored by the Foresters.

The regional membership manager, Elizabeth Carrington-Porter, commented: "In supporting the It's a Knockout event, our hope is to encourage lots of families to have fun together in taking part, and also as spectators, to raise much-needed funds for Ty Hafan and the wonderful work that they do."

Event organiser Helen Gibbons, from Ty Hafan, added: "I would like to thank everyone involved in making the day such a success, including South Wales Police and, of course, all the teams for taking part.

"All the money raised will help Ty Hafan continue providing care and support to life-limited children, and their families, from across Wales."

The Llantwit A bowlers struggle

LLANTWIT A were at Millward last Saturday for their sixth division match.

They were short of three key players who were on first team duty, and were playing against a team who were in fine form.

Captain R Gray's rink of E Lamb, K Morgan and D Lancaster dropped three shots on the first end, but then took control and never looked back, picking up seven shots on the ninth end. They kept it up and won by eight shots.

Eric Sparks's rink of W Evans, P Aston and M Pitman, started well and were 11-10 after 13 ends.

For the remainder of the game, the back end players took over. It was a battle between the two skips and although Eric consistently altered the head in Llantwit's favour, the home side had the last word.

Llantwit picked up one shot on the last end, losing 12-22.

Roy Harding's rink of C Williams, I Williamson and K Williams were in trouble from the start, and for C Williams, playing in his first league game, it was a baptism of fire!

The home team were in fine form and won by 17 shots.

A Harvey's rink of P Brown, G Marchant and M Mason were unable to restrain the home side and lost by 12 shots.

Rink scores: R Gray 29-21; E Sparks 12-22; R Harding 10-27; A Harvey 10-22.

Total score: 56-92.

'Insulate your homes'
–Vale MP urges residents

VALE MP Alun Cairns, is calling on constituents to "take positive action" to winter-proof their homes and save money.

He said: "Currently, around £1 of every £4 we spend on heating our homes is wasted, because of a lack of adequate insulation.

"With more than six million cavity walls unfilled, and more than 10 million lofts unlagged, huge amounts of money are being wasted.

"We all know that household budgets are stretched.

"One area where households in the Vale can take control of their budget is over energy bills, where simple steps will help you use less and save you money.

"If residents take action and get the free energy efficiency that they are entitled to, then they can save themselves hundreds of pounds every year. If they act now, they can be ready long before winter."

He added that following an agreement with the Government, the major energy suppliers were committed to improving the energy efficiency levels of much of the UK's housing stock – to the tune of £5.5billion.

He added: "Through this scheme, many vulnerable people have access to free energy efficiency measures."

Police warning after beach thefts

POLICE are warning the public not to leave belongings unattended on Barry Island, after a number of thefts recently.

They reported that on Tuesday, July 26, a group of people had gathered on the beach late into the evening due to the warm weather, when a male ran towards them and snatched personal property, including a handbag and two wallets, and then left in a vehicle.

Contact the Police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111, if you have any information about the incident.

Seaview Lads enjoy trip

LAST weekend saw Seaview Lads setting out on the annual coach trip – this time to St David's and Porthgain.

Excellent weather conditions promised much but the fishing was generally poor, with few fish being landed and nothing of special merit.

On the day, Steve Doble landed the heaviest bag with two bull huss, while the largest pollack on the day was just 1lb 4oz (Peter Roderick); best wrasse was 2lb (Jodie Velda); and best dogfish 1lb 14oz.

Following the match, the group retired to Tenby for a civilised evening out, which was notable for the lack of any drama!

Man of the match award must surely go to Tony Gwyther for coordinating a splendid breakfast for an entire coachload – even if he did do a runner with the change!

Don't forget the next meeting is on August 11 at the Services Social.

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Cowbridge First XI find their form again with solid win over Skewen

AFTER two defeats in a row the Cowbridge first XI arrested an alarming slump with a convincing victory over Skewen first XI on Saturday.

This was a remarkable reversal in the light of last week's poor performance plus the fact that four first XI players were unavailable yet again.

Perhaps one day soon, preferably before the end of the season, the skipper can rely on being able to select a full strength team.

The bare facts of the match were that Cowbridge scored 200 for 5 wickets and the visitors were 107 all out, a victory by 93 runs.

Tom Merilaht won the toss and decided to bat, mainly because of the perceived weakness in the team's bowling with the loss of players.

However, as events proved he did not need strength in depth in the bowling department.

Tom Merilaht and Mike Lloyd resumed their season-long opening partnership and unfortunately it did not last very long this week.

When the score was 20, Mike horribly mistimed a drive to mid-on and was caught for nine. This was the only early success for the visiting bowlers.

Adam Wood joined Tom and together, with a great deal of skill and much application, they rescued the team's position, taking the score to 126 before the second wicket fell.

Unfortunately, three runs short of his half century and to his great disappointment, Adam clipped a shot to mid-off and was brilliantly caught. He was out for 47 valuable runs and his partnership with Tom had laid the foundation for a winning total.

At this point, Tom had already scored his half-century when Nick Vaile joined him in the middle. This was one of his far too rare appearances for the first XI but contained the shot of the day, a stunning straight six.

While Nick was at the crease, Tom Merilaht was bowled for an invaluable 66 runs. The score was 152 when he was out with eight overs remaining. He had remained at the crease for 42 overs, intent on creating a decent score for his team.

In the remaining overs, Nick contributed a brisk 17 until he was given out lbw, and an even brisker contribution came from Ali Bilal with a quick fire 26 not out off 15 balls, taking the total to a competitive 200.

After tea, the Cowbridge side were confident that the total could be defended, despite the absence of their regular keeper and having a weakened bowling attack.

This confidence proved to be accurate, as the visitors were bowled out for 107 runs, guaranteeing an overwhelming victory and earning maximum points into the bargain.

In the absence of Sam Wood, at the Ampleforth under-15 cricket festival where he has been in the runs including a hundred and a couple of half-centuries, Mike Lloyd and Adam Wood shared the wicket-keeping duties, allowing Adam to open the bowling with Ali Bilal.

Together, within 23 overs, they broke the resistance of the Skewen batsmen reducing them to 61 for 8 wickets.

Ali's figures were 4-29 in 15 overs and Adam's 4-26 in 11 overs. The skipper could have asked no more of them. He summed up the game afterwards as a ruthless display, blowing the Skewen top order away.

The game was just about over. The tail wagged a little, with the last pair adding 23 runs and it was fitting that the skipper mopped up the remaining two wickets for 21 runs.

The fielding was again an outstanding feature of the performance with four smart catches. By far the pick of these was that taken by Gareth W-Davies to dismiss the opening bat. Standing just a yard in from the mid-wicket boundary he leapt and at arm's length plucked a ball out of the air that was destined to be six, and then made sure he did not cross the boundary on landing.

A truly champagne moment and a welcome return to Cowbridge!

This week the first XI travels to Drefach, Carmarthenshire, for the very first time in living memory, with the skipper demanding another convincing victory.

The seconds are at home and welcome your support.

DL

COWBRIDGE LET SKEWEN OFF THE HOOK

As readers of this weekly column will know, Cowbridge 2nd XI's season has stuttered slightly and therefore the game against Skewen last Saturday was very important.

On a typically green and spongy Skewen wicket, Jonty Webb won the toss and had no hesitation in asking Skewen to bat first.

The going was tough for the home batsmen, with some excellent bowling from the ever-dependable John Gilbert and debutant Omar Rafiq.

Skewen reached 22 before the first wicket fell to the bowling of Sean Rowland, which was to signal the start of a fantastic performance by the talented youngster.

The Skewen batsmen continued to struggle and after further wickets for John and Sean, the home side reached 75 for 5 off 25 overs. Their innings was on a knife-edge, with Cowbridge knowing that a further wicket could spell a collapse and put them in a very commanding position.

However, the visitors let things slide, allowing brothers Rhodri and Rhys Davies to build a sizeable partnership.

Again, Cowbridge's fielding was not up to its usual high standard, as a number of catches went down.

The Skewen total began to rise and despite some good bowling from Adam Gilbert and Sean Rowland, Cowbridge were unable to take the key wicket of Rhys Davies.

The breakthrough came with the introduction of Mathew Keating, who is looking every inch a Second XI player, with the score at 155 off 40 overs.

Despite this, and with Sean Rowland taking a further wicket to take his figures to a terrific 5 for 50 off 15 overs, Skewen reached 221 off their 50 overs.

Rhys Davies finished on 104 not out, with the visitors rueing the missed catches early in the innings.

In recent weeks, the Cowbridge top order has faltered and unfortunately this was again the case, with the top three failing to register any sizeable scores to leave them 40 for 3 off 18 overs.

At this point Naveed Younis came to the crease and the fireworks started. Despite the score, he proceeded to launch a blistering counter-attack against the Skewen bowling.

With Omar Rafiq, aiding and abetting him, Naveed deposited the ball to all parts of the ground on his way to a quick-fire 49 which included five sixes.

Unfortunately, Naveed fell with the score at 110 and, with another quick wicket, Cowbridge were left tottering on 116 for 7 off 34 overs.

At this point Mathew Keating joined Nick Rowland at the crease. They both batted very well, against some hostile Skewen bowling, putting together a good partnership to shore up the Cowbridge innings.

In the end, Cowbridge finished on 159 off their 50 overs, with Nick finishing on 31 not out to cap an excellent day for the Rowland family.

This was again a game in which Cowbridge should have done better. To have a side at 75 for 5 at the halfway point and then allow them to reach over 200 was disappointing.

Also, the Cowbridge top order must re-find their form if the team is to stand a chance of chasing down totals of over 200.

However, there were a number of positives with the performances of Sean Rowland, Mathew Keating, and Naveed Younis, which bodes well for the future.

Cowbridge will need to improve their performances if they want to maintain their position near the top of the table.

JW

Under-12s' Super Cup adventure

LLANTWIT MAJOR FC under-12s recently took part in the prestigious Welsh International Super Cup.

The team lost in the final of the under-12 age group to Athlone of Ireland, which is a fantastic achievement.

The team is pictured (above) with coach, Peter Griffiths.

The Welsh International Super Cup is a huge football event where former players have included Steven Gerrard, Robbie Fowler, Michael Owen and many more.

PG

West Wales XI just miss out in tension-packed encounter

ON Saturday, Cowbridge's West Wales team played an exciting game against Ammanford.

The weather was warm but overcast, and the artificial strip on the school field was in good condition, but with an unmown and damp outfield. The captain won the toss and elected to bat.

At first things went well with good scores from the first four batsmen.

Michael Hordley (26), George Brown (11), Jon Brazier (19, latterly with a runner) and Rian Thomas (26) all contributed before Rian fell to a nonchalant catch at square leg – straight out of a Magners' advertisement.

The tail then turned up its toes and died, contributing 13 runs for the last 6 wickets. The total of 112 was not good, but it was certainly defendable.

Michael Hordley and Sadr were soon in action, with the Ammanford number two being dismissed without scoring, and Michael then going on to record figures of 5 wickets for 53 runs.

It would have been better, however, if it had been the number one dismissed, as he went on to score 61, until well caught at point by Tom Scott-Coombes.

With 90 runs on the board from the first four wickets and 30 overs in hand, it looked as though Ammanford would cruise home, but the Cowbridge side kept fighting and the break through was initiated by a fine catch well to his right by keeper Richard Owen.

From this moment on, matters improved and wickets fell regularly, while the fielding held runs in check.

The high point was a superb diving catch in the slips by James Lister-Simms, an achievement any first team player would be proud of.

Sadly, it was not quite enough and with one wicket in hand on 110, the Ammanford number 11 slashed outside his off stump, sending a top edge just above the straining fingers of first slip.

It was a close and exciting game, if disappointing at the very end, but the team showed real commitment, lessons were learnt and an enjoyable afternoon was spent.

CAVALIERS CRICKET ROUND-UP

Midweek XI experience the ecstacy and then the agony

ON Wednesday, the Llantwit Cavs Midweek XI travelled to Lisvane in the Vale of Glamorgan Midweek League.

James Snelson won the toss and elected to bat first; opening the batting with Jake McNaughton.

They put on a partnership of 175 runs in 16 overs before Jake was run out for 55.

Shane Callard joined the big hitting James at the crease, hoping to help guide his skipper to a deserved century.

Alas, after hitting a magnificent six fours and seven sixes, James was bowled for a blistering 98. Shane was run out for 16 and another wicket fell to a well-taken catch off the last ball of the innings, as the Cavs closed on 200 for 4 after 20 overs.

Lisvane, with an asking rate of 10 runs an over from the outset, needed a good start to their innings. Unfortunately for them, it didn't materialise as they found themselves 6 for 4 after four overs, with Jack Lansdown (4 for 13) and Dave Cheal (1 for 10) destroying their innings before it started.

Jack's spell was brilliant and he was unlucky to miss out on a hat-trick and a 'five for'. T Morgan (17 not out) was Lisvane's highest scorer as Mark Coldwell (2 for 7), Ben Jenkins (2 for 5) and Jono Cheal (1 for 0) skittled the hosts for 52 in an outstanding bowling and fielding display from the Cavs.

Mark Coldwell, Tom Gingell, with two well-taken catches, and Jake provided excellent support in the field.

The following night the Cavs played Tynewydd in a VOG Midweek League semi-final at the Barry Athletic Cricket ground.

Tynewydd batted first and were reduced to 23 for 3 by Jack Lansdown (2 for 11) and Dave Cheal (1 for 12), and then lost another two wickets to marvellous run outs by Nigel Allison.

D Mote (35 retired) and H Williams (24) helped steer Tynewydd to 119 all out in the 19th over. Luke Vincent (2 for 3), Mark Coldwell (1 for 8) and James Snelson (1 for 16) were the other wicket takers, with James and Jono Cheal taking catches.

The Cavs set about their reply hoping to bat in the form shown the previous night; unfortunately for us it was not to be as the Cavs lost two wickets in the 1ast over to H Williams, and then found themselves on two runs for three wickets after three overs.

Jono Cheal (19) and Mark Coldwell (20) set about repairing the damage and found runs hard to come by against a very spirited Tynewydd side.

Mark was caught in the 11th over with the score on 46 and Jono was run out in the 14th over with the score on 63.

Jake McNaughton (32 not out) and Harry Withers (15) fought hard but the Cavs reply fell short as the innings closed on 107 for 8 off 20 overs.

An excellent performance from Tynewydd in the field with the outstanding H Williams (3 for 7), S Malpas (2 for 12), J Gee (1 for 8) and J Knight (1 for 11) taking the wickets.

Good luck to both Tynewydd and Barry Athletic in the final.

The Cavs would like to thank their ponsors, Coast Tapas Bar, for their much appreciated sponsorship of the midweek sides.

The Colts travel to Barry Internationals this week, while the Cavs Midweek XI face league leaders and unbeaten Penarth in a top of the table clash.

GOOD WIN FOR THE SECONDS

Llantwit Major Cavaliers Sunday XI played away at Machen in the Glamorgan & Monmouthshire Sunday League.

Mark Coldwell won the toss and inserted the home side, who got off to a flyer in their innings.

G Jones (64) and B Clifford (45) were in scintillating form as they plundered 110 runs from the opening 15 overs, before Sam Pickford (1 for 34) bowled G Jones.

Fellow opener, B Clifford, was caught off the bowling of Mark Dowling (4 for 52), with other notable scores coming from W Harris (27) and S Clifford (21).

The Cavs did well to bowl Machen out for 192 in the 37th over with Fraser Wheatley (2 for 12), Dave Cheal (2 for 27) and Ben Jenkins (1 for 26) among the wickets, with Sam taking the final two catches.

The Cavs needed a good start to their innings and they got one as Mark Coldwell (48) and Harry Withers (41) added 92 runs in 16 overs for the first wicket, before Mark was bowled by G Jones (2 for 28) with Harry falling to the same bowler with the score on 102.

The Cavs stayed up with the scoring rate throughout the innings with Sam Pickford (20), Mark Dowling (10) and Tom Pritchard (18) all playing their parts before Fraser Wheatley (21 not out) and Ben Jenkins (8 not out) saw the Cavs home in the 40th over, not needing the three extra overs they gained for bowling Machen out inside their allocated 40.

The Cavs would like to thank their sponsors, Brewin Dolphin, Engineering Services (Bridgend) Ltd, Simons Plaice and Coast Tapas Bar for their much appreciated sponsorship of the club.

The Sunday XI has a bye next week but travel to Pentwyn in a fortnight's time for their next league fixture.

DC

Wessex Hyundai has a spectacular launch in Cardiff

ABOVE: (Left to right) Keith Brock, MD Wessex, Tony Whitehorn, MD Hyundai, and James Courtney, general manager, Wessex Hyundai.

IT'S OFFICIAL! Wessex Hyundai opened in spectacular style at its launch party in the new purpose-built solus facility at Penarth Road, Cardiff.

Tony Whitehorn, the MD of Hyundai, officially opened the dealership, alongside Steve Patch, the founder and chairman and Keith Brock, the group managing director.

Mr Brock spoke of the business "growing steadily for the last 15 years". Today, it sees six businesses with 17 franchised facilities and more than 50 per cent of the Wessex group activities now based in south Wales.

Mr Brock said: "Staffing the new Hyundai dealership brings the total employees to over 17 people.

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Aberkenfig's Delyth follows up a rare Arabian hat-trick

PICTURED: Delyth Thomas (left) along with jockey Matthew Stanley.
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ABOVE: Noble Athlete (far right)
(Photographs courtesy of www.thejockey.co.uk)

ON AND OFF THE TURF
with Brian Lee

MEET one of the leading lights in the world of Arabian horse-racing. She's Aberkenfig's Delyth Thomas!

Delyth, who has been racing Arabian horses for some years, has owned and trained more winners than she can remember and a rare hat-trick with her *Jamaahir*, *Roches Du Cayrou* and *Noble Athlete* at Wolverhampton has been one of the highlights this season.

Her prolific nine-year-old *Noble Athlete* went on to win at the recent big Dubai meeting at Newbury landing the £2,225 Derrinstown Stakes.

Noble Athlete was ridden by Matthew Stanley and she told me: "You will be hearing a lot more about Matthew who is an excellent rider."

Delyth should know as she has ridden plenty of winners herself in her younger days.

TIM'S DOUBLE Aberthin's Tim Vaughan landed a 33–1 double at Uttoxeter last week with Grand Art 2–1 and Bahr Nothing 10–1.

The former won the selling hurdle by three parts of a length from Fine Lace, trained just up the road from Bahr Nothing at Llancarfan by Evan Williams, and the latter took the handicap hurdle coming home three lengths ahead of Torran Sound. Both were ridden by Richard Johnson who hails from Hereford.

Tim also won with Present Your Case at Perth but his first visit as a trainer to 'Glorious Goodwood' was something of a disappointment as his Spirit Of Adjisa trailed in last but one of the 19 runners after being up with the pace for most of the way.

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PLENTY OF THRILLS AND SPILLS AT LLANDOW KART CLUB MEET

THERE were no special guest series to swell the numbers, but round six of Llandow Kart Club's summer championship provided the usual thrills and spills on track and some familiar faces at the top of the podium.

The Bambino 'starter' class was back up to five runners after a dip in June, and it was the returning Marco Costanza who led the way, posting the fastest lap in three of the four track sessions to come out on top from Jakob Chamberlain and Alex Austin. William Elswood and Ffion Rees were the other runners.

Honda Cadet once again provided the biggest field of the day, with 17 karts in action, but it was the usual faces at the front of the pack.

Ryan Edwards, Ross Thomas and Brandon Patrick each claimed a heat win, before Thomas came through to claim the final after narrowly missing the podium in June.

Celtic champion Edwards was second, with Harry Gooding sneaking the final podium spot ahead of Daniel Thomas and Patrick.

After claiming victory in the June final, Lewis Griffiths again proved to be the one to beat in Comer Cadet, sweeping the board with three heat wins and a lights-to-flag success in the final.

However, that was not to say that it was a cake-walk for the youngster, who only triumphed by 0.19secs in the main event as Oliver Graham pushed him all the way. Graham had already come through a tough battle with Louis Griffiths-Walker before leaving his rival to settle for third, ahead of Tom Rawlings.

Without the Junior Honda class – which has been severely depleted this season – Monty Gorridge stepped up to Junior TKM, running as the only 4-stroke contender in a field of 2-strokes. It was very much a steep learning curve for the youngster as his more experienced rivals set the pace.

Ross Chell claimed each of the three heats with Scott Morris and Ryan Jones giving chase, but it was Morris who came out on top when it mattered most, stealing top spot in the final a couple of laps from home. Chell and Jones completed the podium, with Gorridge in ninth.

After a month away on Formula Kart Stars duty, Macaulay Austin returned to dominate his local Junior Rotax class, winning each of the four races on offer.

James Johnson and Morgan Rose took it in turns to give chase, with Rose claiming second in the final. Only Lewis Malin broke the trio's domination of the top three, but he had to settle for sixth in the main event, behind Jordan Hawkins and Scott Rose.

Senior Honda again came close to breaking into double figures, but proved to be about just three drivers when it came to results.

Reigning club and Welsh champion Simon Evans was denied another clean sweep as Gareth Lewis claimed heat two, but the former champion could only manage third in the final as Jamie Warren enjoyed his best weekend since graduating from the junior class. After three top three finishes in the heats, Warren came through to claim second place by 0.13secs in the main event.

Current Welsh champion Craig Mooney and class front runners Josh Collings and Gareth Taylor were missing from the Senior Rotax field, resulting in the heats being shared between Chris Davis and Mathew Dowers, with Dan Rodde and David Entwhistle also appearing in the top three.

Davis returned to the top step in the final, crossing the line 0.62secs clear of Rodde, while Dowers claimed third from Entwhistle and Dilip Singh. Although Dean Arthur was also missing, Wayne Stone found his path to Max 177 success barred by the returning Simon Wheeler.

RESULTS

BAMBINO: 1, Marco Costanza (CRG); 2, Jakob Chamberlain; 3, Alex Austin (Zip).
CADET HONDA: 1, Ross Thomas (Wright); 1, Ryan Edwards (Project One); 3, Harry Gooding.
CADET COMER: 1, Lewis Griffiths (Zip); 2, Oliver Graham (Zip); 3, Louis Griffiths-Walker.
JUNIOR TKM 2-STROKE: 1, Scott Morris (Tonykart); 2, Ross Chell (Jade); 3, Ryan Jones (CRG).
JUNIOR TKM 4-STROKE: 1, Monty Gorridge.
JUNIOR ROTAX: 1, Macaulay Austin (Tonykart); 2, Morgan Rose (Tonykart); 3, James Johnson (Kosmic).
SENIOR HONDA: 1, Simon Evans (7Kart); 2, Jamie Warren (Wright); 3, Gareth Lewis (7Kart).
SENIOR ROTAX: 1, Chris Davis (Storm); 2, Dan Rodde; 3, Mathew Dowers (Kosmic).
ROTAX 177: 1, Simon Wheeler (CRG); 2, Wayne Stone (CRG).

Report CRAIG LLEWELLYN

Praise for defeated young Scorpions

SOUTH Wales Scorpions, fielding a much under-strength side due to injuries and absentees, and including three 18-year-olds and one 19-year old, gave one of their best performances of the season, despite being on the wrong end of a 13-6 scoreline.

One of Scorpions' 18-year olds, Jack Pring, thought that he'd opened the scoring with a try on his debut after catching Casey Bromilow's high bomb, but the referee ruled it out for obstruction.

Finally, the deadlock was broken on 23 minutes when Rochdale substitute Steve McDermott broke through from short range to ground just left of the posts. Liam McGovern converted.

They doubled their lead six minutes later when Wayne English slipped over. McGovern goaled again.

However, Scorpions struck back just before the break, with one of their best tries of the season.

Bromilow, playing a very good game, made it by twisting, turning and bamboozling the Hornets defence and was just short of scoring himself.

From the next play, Andrew Gay set up Rhodri Lloyd for his first try in a Scorpions shirt. Lewis Reece converted.

Early in the second half, Lloyd thought he'd scored his second but the referee ruled it out for a knock-on in the build-up.

Scorpions kept the pressure on. Bromilow kicked through to Roets who didn't score but a goal-line drop-out was forced.

From the restart, Roets, who had an outstanding game in defence as well as attack, looked as if he had scored but the referee ruled it out for a forward pass after consulting with the touch-judge.

To compound the Scorpions' frustrations, Steve Parry was held-up over the line on the final tackle of the next set.

McGovern missed a second field-goal attempt four minutes before the end but Paul Crook finally landed one with less than a minute to go to seal the three points for the Hornets. **IG**

Evan's double

LLANCARFAN'S Evan Williams had an 'across the card' double at Stratford and Ffos Las last Thursday.

His four-year-old Taroum won the opening maiden hurdle at Stratford and in the evening at Ffos Las' flat fixture, his six-year-old West With The Wind took the two-mile Porsche Cardiff Handicap.

The former, ridden by Paul Moloney, was made the 13-8 favourite and scored by 19 lengths from Dazzling Rita and the latter, a 7-2 chance, which I believe gave Evan his first winner on the flat at the west Wales course, won by just half-a-length under KT O'Neill.

At far flung Perth, Tim Vaughan's Slip, the 6-1 outsider of three, came home a head in front of the odds-on favourite Al Qeddaaf with Definete All Star a further half-a-length back; Slip was ridden by Richard Johnson. **BRIAN LEE**

Welsh junior golf teams selected

TWO Vale players are representing Wales in the Boys Home International matches (August 2-4), at Royal St David's Golf Club, Harlech.

The full team is: Oliver Baker (Cardiff); David Boote (Walton Heath); Jack Bush (Morlais Castle); Oliver Dickson (Pennard); Zac Galliford (Borth & Ynyslas); Ryan Haskell (Celtic Manor); Delon Hau (Vale of Glamorgan); Otto Mand (Dewstow); Oliver Mottram (St Pierre); Patrick Mullins (Whitchurch); Ryan Thomas (Vale of Glamorgan).

TWO local girls, Katie Bradbury and Myriam Hassan, are representing Wales in the Girls Home International matches (August 3-5), at Gullane Golf Club, Scotland.

The full team is: Amy Boulden (Lladudno, Maesdu); Katie Bradbury (Cottrell Park); Jessica Evans (Newport); Nia Greville (Ashburnham); Myriam Hassan (Southerndown); Georgia Lewis (Llanishen); Sara Rees-Evans (Penrhos); Chloe Williams (Wrexham).

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On-form Nick takes the Captain's Prize after long weekend

THE captain's prize is one of the most important events in the diary at Brynhill (Barry) Golf Club.

Held over a weekend in July, 36 holes are played, with an overall winner receiving the Captain's Prize.

This year's winner was Nick Daniels, who received his trophy from captain Steve Jones.

With a nett score of 139 over the two days, playing off a handicap of six, this was Nick's finest hour since he represented Wales in the World Deaf Golf Championships in Australia.

Scott Bowman took the best gross prize. Playing off scratch, he recorded rounds of 72 (par) and 68, remarkable golf in the windy conditions.

The captain, affectionately known as T-Bone, thanked the greens staff for the excellent condition of the course and the ladies at the Halfway House, who collected plenty of money for charity selling cider, beer and soft drinks, as well as home-made pasties and sausage rolls.

An excellent weekend, played in beautiful sunshine but a stiff breeze, with nearly 200 golfers playing, made this an exciting competition, with scores coming in right until the end which affected the placings – good nailbiting stuff for those in contention.

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Scott Bowman receives his trophy for the best gross score from captain Steve Jones.

Nick Daniels.

We welcome your sports news and other items of interest - email us at: gemeditorial@tindlenews.co.uk

SOUTHERNDOWN PAIR TAKE TOP PRIZE AT THE GROVE GOLF CLUB

THE monthly meeting of The Glamorgan Farmers' Golf Society was held recently at the Grove Golf Club, Porthcawl, with 36 players competing for the excellent prizes, supplied by the day's sponsor, Mr Mike King of the Maesglas Veterinary Group.

This annual better-ball pairs' competition was once again keenly contested, with just a few points separating the leading contenders.

The much-fancied pairing of Southerndown members Keith James and president Geraint Davies justified the confidence placed in them by scoring 39 stableford points to collect the Maesglas Veterinary Shield.

They just saw off the challenge of playing partners Glyn Watts-Jones and Ray Howells, who finished with 38 points.

In third place were Tosh Taylor and Jim Hayes, who scored 36 points.

The benefit of having a caddy to help you around proved a worthwhile investment for Llantwit Major farmer Brian Jones who, together with playing partner Neil McLean, secured fourth place with 35 points.

Unfortunately, Clive Edwards and Mark Rees, despite also scoring 35 points, lost out with an inferior back nine.

GUEST SECTION

In the guest section, David Taylor and John Thomas took the honours with the best score of the day, 40 points, and Gareth Perkins and Richard Bourne finished second with 35.

Godfrey Lewis won the 'James Hog Roast'-sponsored longest drive competition, as well as being nearest the pin on one of the par three holes. Other winners in this section were Mike Lee, Tosh Taylor and Rees Roberts.

Jim Hayes correctly guessed 38 balls would fail to make the journey home, and he collected the Premier Turf-sponsored bottle of whisky, which raised £50 for Cancer Research Wales.

Members and guests were full of praise for the excellent condition of this rapidly-maturing course, which opened in 1996, and also for the superb catering facilities provided at this most hospitable of clubs.

The society's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 25, at The Wales National Course at Hensol, to be kindly sponsored by Llantwit Major estate agents Anthony Brown & Co Ltd

KNOCK OUT COMPETITION

The quarter final matches in the Nipper Jewell Knock Out competition have been completed resulting in defeats for David Williams (6 & 4); Tosh Taylor (4 & 2); Godfrey Lewis (3 & 1); and Geraint Davies who suffered defeat on the home green.

The semi-final draw is:

Trevor Wooding v Tony McCarthy

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ABOVE: Winning team members Geraint Davies and Keith James with sponsor Mike King, and also the winners in the guest section, John Thomas and David Taylor.

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ATHLETICS: VICTOR LUDORUM (BEST BOY ATHLETE) TOM TROTMAN; VICTRIX LUDORUM (BEST GIRL ATHLETE) BROOKE LANGDEN CRYER.
ENDEAVOUR: GWYN JAMES CUP (YEAR-11) BOYS STEPHEN STOCK; GIRLS KATIE WYNNE.
SWANTEK GOLF: BOYS V STAFF V OLD BOYS (taking place on 20th July).
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ABOVE: Some of the winners at the sports' awards evening.
RIGHT: Hannah Miles received an award from Cowbridge Rotary Club.

ABOVE: Hugh Williams made a special presentation to Glan Williams on his retirement.

Steve is the Blacksmiths champion!

Last year's winner John Campbell (on right) handing the trophy to this year's champion, Steve Jenkins.

The Blacksmiths Arms Golf Society recently held its annual 'Blacksmiths Closed' competition at Swansea's Fairwood Park Golf Club.

On the well prepared course, Wenvoe GC veteran Geoff Smith rolled back the years to scoop nearest the pin, while St Athan GC junior Jamie Goacher did well to finish in fourth place.

The day, however, was dominated by Southerndown GC members, with defending champion John Campbell hitting the longest drive and Richard Kelly coming home in third place.

Runner-up spot went to the ever-consistent Andy Wilkey, but the new champion is Steve Jenkins who carded an excellent 38 points to secure possession of the famous old loo seat trophy. **SJ**

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THE WELSH SQUAD AT THEIR TRAINING BASE IN THE VALE HOTEL.

The preliminary Welsh squad. In the picture are: Scott Andrews, Gethin Jenkins (Blues), Lloyd Burns (Dragons), Huw Bennett, Ryan Bevington, Adam Jones, Paul James (Ospreys), Ken Owens, Matthew Rees (Scarlets), Craig Mitchell (Exeter Chiefs). Bradley Davies, Sam Warburton, Martyn Williams (Blues), Luke Charteris, Danny Lydiate, Toby Faletau (Dragons), Ryan Jones, Alun Wyn Jones, Jonathan Thomas, Justin Tipuric (Ospreys), Josh Turnbull, (Scarlets), Gareth Delve (Melbourne Rebels), Andy Powell (Sale Sharks). Michael Phillips (Bayonne), Lloyd Williams (Blues), Tavis Knoyle (Scarlets). Jamie Roberts (Blues), James Hook (Perpignan), Jonathan Davies, Stephen Jones, Rhys Priestland, Scott Williams (Scarlets) Gavin Henson (unattached). Leigh Halfpenny (Blues), Lee Byrne (Clermont Auvergne), Aled Brew (Dragons), Shane Williams (Ospreys), George North, Morgan Stoddart (Scarlets).

First pointer to Gatland's way

BACK PAGE COMMENT by Don John

TODAY (Thursday, March 4) Wales head coach, Warren Gatland, unveils his 22 players who will head to Twickenham for the 121st encounter with England on Saturday, in a match he knows full well carries more than the usual significance.

Given the age-old passions aroused (at least on this side of Offa's Dyke) by meetings between these two fierce rugby rivals, it was disturbing enough for Welsh fans when the men in white finally edged ahead in the series, with 55 wins to Wales' 53, and 12 matches drawn.

Gatland will not want to be the head coach that sees this gap widen further, with a second Rugby World Cup warm-up match between the two following hard on its heels a week later at the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff.

While that in itself may not pre-occupy him unduly, there is no doubting the extra pressures on his shoulders as he marshals his forces in the run-in to the RWC finals in his homeland next month.

Failure against the English would be a bad enough blow to his pride, but he also knows the bleak fate that eventually befell his predecessor in the equivalent 2007 World Cup warm-up match when a weakened Welsh team was bullied off the park in a record 62-5 defeat at Twickenham.

That was followed by the humiliation of defeat by Fiji and an early exit from the Rugby World Cup – something this proud Kiwi would simply not countenance, particularly in front of his own countrymen, who are odds-on favourites to win the tournament.

Hence, no doubt, his motivation in putting his initial 39-man squad through the mental and physical mill, during a summer that has included two sessions of 'deep freeze torture' in a Polish training camp.

With a third warm-up game scheduled against Argentina in Cardiff, on August 20, just before the Welsh squad is whittled down to 30 before leaving for New Zealand, he candidly maintains:

"*We have established a nucleus of players who will form our RWC squad, based on their performances in training over the recent weeks, but it is now time to translate those efforts on to the field.*

"The players have worked hard, but places are still very much up for grabs and a lot will depend on what we see over the course of these next three games.

"We have not shied away from the top class quality opposition in preparation for this World Cup, and it doesn't come much tougher than facing the 2003 World Cup winners and 2007 finalists on their own home patch.

"The warm-up fixtures will be tough, but we are in a really tough group at the World Cup and replicating those conditions can ultimately only be of benefit to us."

Welsh supporters, to a man (and woman) will echo the sentiment. England on Saturday will be the first real test and it will be fascinating to see the starting line-up when it is announced today, as an early inkling of Gatland's World Cup thinking.

It is surely inconceivable that he will risk a repeat of the damaging blow to squad morale seen in 2007 by fielding a team ripe for slaughter.

His team will be competitive, though as he has made clear, no conclusions can be drawn as to his final RWC selection that will soon board the plane for Down Under.

For the members of his squad, it will be an anxious waiting game.

THE BRIDGEND BULLS ARE STILL UNDEFEATED

BRIDGEND BLUE BULLS 38
NEWPORT TITANS 22
by Simon Green at Porthcawl

TWO first half tries from teenage full-back Huw Rosser helped the Bridgend Blue Bulls to a 38-22 victory over the Newport Titans at Porthcawl RFC, a win that keeps the Bulls unbeaten and guarantees them a place in the Wales Grand Final on August 14.

The Titans will play second-placed Valley Cougars 'A' for the right to meet the Bridgend in the final.

A break by Richard Howells sent Rosser over for his first in the sixth minute and then Howells almost scored himself but the wing knocked on after a great chip and chase.

The Titans then made paid Bridgend pay for those mistakes with two tries in as many minutes from Chris Moss. Jacob Wright converted one for a 10-6 lead.

However, the lead didn't last long as moments later Gareth David split the Titans' defence before kicking ahead, and his Bridgend team-mate Nathan Hawkins won the race to the ball to bring the scores level. David's kick put them two points clear.

A Jarod Himem break should have seen the Titans re-take the lead but a great tackle from Rhys Dowling kept him out, and moments later Jamie Lorimer put the home side further in front, battering his way over from close range after a Chris McGrath break, David again converting.

Dowling then came close to scoring the Bulls fourth but he was stopped just short.

The ball was then worked out wide and Rosser raced over for his second to make it 22-10 at half time.

The Bulls made sure of the win early in the second half, first when wing Marc Roberts sprinted over, and then when prop James Elton scored. Gareth David converted one to make the score 32-10.

The Titans then showed the skills that have made them into one of the best sides in the Conference this summer when Andy Whittingham and Spencer Gibson scored, cutting the gap to just 14.

Andrew Fryer hit back for the Bulls scoring straight from a scrum after a great pass from Craig Fox.

The final say went to Titans' hooker Colum John, who claimed a late but deserved consolation try.

Wick RFC make plans after promotion season

WICK RFC gained promotion to Division One of the Bridgend and District League after lifting the Division Two title in April.

This season will see a serious step up in the level of rugby against the likes of Tonmawr, Bridgend Athletic and Llanharan 2nd XVs.

With this in mind, the successful new coaching partnership of John Birkett and Paul Creed, have called an early start to summer training, and are inviting any new players wishing to join the squad to attend on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30pm.

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Leeds come calling for Bridgend 16-year-old

LEFT: Ollie Olds, who has been signed by Leeds Rhinos.

WALES under-16 Rugby League international Ollie Olds has been snapped up by Super League outfit Leeds Rhinos.

Olds, from Bridgend, started playing Rugby League at age 12 when in year-7 at Brynteg School, and has been given a six week trial by the Rhinos.

While at Brynteg, he was in the same team as Warrington's Rhys and Ben Evans, and while there he celebrated his first year in the game by scoring one try and creating another as he helped his school to a 40-4 Champions Schools Final win over Castleford High at the Millennium Stadium in 2005.

Since then, he has worked his way through the Wales Rugby League academy system in south Wales, playing for Crusaders at scholarship under-16 and academy under-18 level.

However, it's this year in the academy side"s most successful season to date where the 18-year old has been a stand-out and was targeted by Leeds Rhinos as a result.

"We are immensely proud of Ollie for getting this opportunity with the Rhinos," said Dan Clements, the head of performance for Wales Rugby League.

"Leeds Rhinos are recognised as having one of the finest Academy systems in the country and we know that if he has a successful trial, he will continue to develop well as a player."

Pyle & Kenfig golf club optimistic about future

WHEN the Ryder Cup was held in 2010 in Celtic Manor, Newport, it was a huge boost to the local economy and put Wales as a high profile landmark on the map of the golfing world.

Pyle and Kenfig Golf Club greatly enjoyed welcoming the overseas visitors, particularly those from the rival continent of USA.

Most visitors spoke kind words on the quality and layout of the course and the intimate atmosphere of the clubhouse and the club was delighted to play a role in this great event.

The incoming captains, Tony Price and Liz Attwood, however, are optimistic about the future as there is a general recognition that golf is a major contributor to tourism, bringing thousands of visitors to the area.

Recent initiatives with ladies golf have been extremely successful and further junior summer academy coaching program has been set up with the Professional Dylan Williams - the events will be staged over the summer holidays.

Both Captains actively support these initiatives and coaching and warmly welcome the new members who have been recruited as a result.

More information available at: www.pandkgolfclub.co.uk. **JM**